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Labour Force Statistics ◆ December 2007

(All labour force statistics are seasonally adjusted, unless otherwise indicated)

2007 a good year in BC's labour market

The province's unemployment rate remained relatively stable during 2007, fluctuating between 3.9% and 4.4% during the year. This suggests that a long-run decline in the jobless rate that began in 2002 may have come to an end. Given that the labour market is at or close to full employment this may be good news, as further declines in the unemployment rate could create difficulties for employers, some of whom are already having problems staffing vacant positions. Labour market conditions in Alberta also appear to be stabilizing, although the long-run decline in the jobless rate there has not been as dramatic as in BC.

Jobless rate relatively stable during 2007, averaging 4.2% over the year

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British Columbia's unemployment rate has fallen from an *annual average*[1] of 8.4% in 1997 to an average of 4.2% last year, decreasing by half during the decade. No other province has seen a similarly large drop in its jobless rate during the last ten years. The national rate dropped by about a third during this period (from 9.1% to 6.0%).

Employment in BC increased 3.2% in 2007, propelled by strong growth in both the private (+3.5%) and public (+2.7%) sectors. The number of self-employed British Columbians expanded 2.8% after shrinking (-0.5%) in the previous year. Full-time employment jumped 3.3%, while the number of part-time workers was up 2.8% during the year. The goods industries took on 6.9% more workers, while employment in the service sector expanded a more modest 2.3% during 2007.

BC's unemployment rate remains at 4.2% in December

British Columbia's unemployment rate remained unchanged at 4.2% in December as a slight decline in the number of people with jobs (-0.3%, or 7,000 people), was matched by a similar drop in the number who were either working or looking for work (-0.3%, or 6,900 people). This came on the heels of strong gains in November, when both employment and the labour force increased by about one percent.

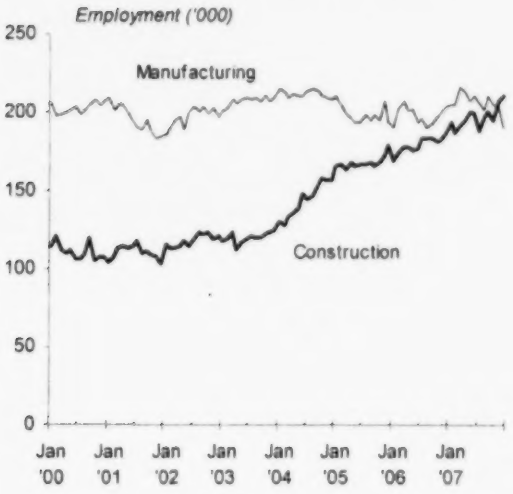
Goods-producing industries cut back; job growth in service sector stalls

BC's goods producing industries cut back 1.2% in December, as employment in the province's manufacturing industry continued to shrink, plunging 6.4%. Employment in manufacturing has fallen in all but two of the last nine months. Some of the slack, however, may have been taken up by the construction industry. In December, the number of jobs in construction exceeded those in manufacturing for a second straight month.

[1] The figures quoted in the rest of this section are calculated from annual averages.

November was the first time on record (industry data is only available going back to 1987) that this has occurred. The construction industry took on 1.3% more workers in December, and even stronger gains were seen in some of the primary industries.

Construction industry bulldozes past manufacturing to become biggest employer in goods sector



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In the service sector, employment stalled as seven industries downsized their workforce in December. Employment in wholesale and retail trade (-1.4%) shrank for the third time in four months. However, there was significant job growth in transportation & warehousing (+6.0%) and public administration (+5.7%).

There were 1.8% fewer full-time workers, but part-time employment expanded 6.0%.

Job losses in some regions

Northeast[1] continued to have the lowest jobless rate in the province, with only 1.6% (*3-month moving average, unadjusted*) of its labour force unemployed in December. North Coast/Nechako's jobless rate jumped to 9.1%, more than three points higher than at the beginning of the year. Employment in the region has declined in every month since February, and the region's labour force has also been shrinking. In the rest of BC, unemployment rates ranged from 3.4% in Vancouver Island/Coast to 5.9% in Kootenay. Although Thompson/Okanagan's unemployment rate remains relatively low (4.2%), it was the only region other than Nechako to post a decline in employment in December.

Victoria's jobless rate was 2.6%. Vernon (2.9%) was the only other municipality where the unemployment rate was below the three percent mark. Vancouver's rate was 3.7%, while other municipalities recorded jobless rates ranging from 4.0% in Nanaimo to 6.4% in Kamloops.

The Nation

Nationally, the unemployment rate was unchanged at 5.9%, reflecting a concurrent decline in employment and the labour force. Unemployment rates in all four western provinces remained well below the national average. They were lowest in Alberta (3.2%) and Saskatchewan (4.0%), while both Manitoba and BC recorded a rate of 4.2%. Alberta and Atlantic Canada, which saw strong job growth at the end of last year, were the only regions where the jobless rate declined during December.

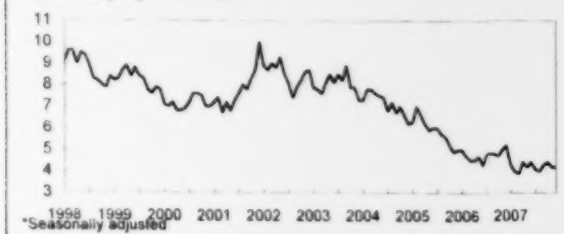
Selected Statistics	Dec-07	Nov-07	Dec-06
BC Unemployment Rate (%)	4.2	4.2	5.2
Canadian Unemployment Rate (%)	5.9	5.9	6.1
BC Employment ('000)	2,291	2,298	2,219
BC Labour Force Participation Rate (%)	66.4	66.7	66.2
Dec % change in employment relative to:	-	-0.3	3.3
Dec % change in labour force relative to:	-	-0.3	2.2

[1] Rates for Northeast, as well as some cities, are BC Stats estimates, calculated using data supplied by Statistics Canada. The very low unemployment rate in Northeast should be interpreted cautiously because it is based on a relatively small sample.

1 Summary for December 2007--Actual and Seasonally Adjusted

	Current December 2007		Previous Month November 2007		One Year Ago December 2006		Change from November 2007		Change from December 2006	
	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.
British Columbia										
Working Age Population ('000)	3602.7		3597.6		3538.0		0.1%		1.8%	
Labour Force ('000)	2377.5	2391.7	2390.5	2398.6	2325.6	2340.7	-0.5%	-0.3%	2.2%	2.2%
Employment ('000)	2287.3	2291.4	2297.8	2298.4	2219.6	2218.5	-0.5%	-0.3%	3.1%	3.3%
Unemployment ('000)	90.2	100.2	92.6	100.2	106.0	122.2	-2.6%	0.0%	-14.9%	-18.0%
Employment Rate[1]	63.5%	63.6%	63.9%	63.9%	62.7%	62.7%				
Unemployment Rate	3.8%	4.2%	3.9%	4.2%	4.6%	5.2%				
Participation Rate	66.0%	66.4%	66.4%	66.7%	65.7%	66.2%				
Canada										
Working Age Population ('000)	26,719.5		26,693.5		26,357.6		0.1%		1.4%	
Labour Force ('000)	17,929.1	18,082.3	18,022.8	18,096.8	17,577.9	17,715.7	-0.5%	-0.1%	2.0%	2.1%
Employment ('000)	16,929.8	17,009.9	17,009.9	17,028.6	16,574.5	16,640.4	-0.5%	-0.1%	2.1%	2.2%
Unemployment ('000)	999.3	1,072.4	1,012.9	1,068.2	1,003.4	1,075.3	-1.3%	0.4%	-0.4%	-0.3%
Employment Rate[1]	63.4%	63.7%	63.7%	63.8%	62.9%	63.1%				
Unemployment Rate	5.6%	5.9%	5.6%	5.9%	5.7%	6.1%				
Participation Rate	67.1%	67.7%	67.5%	67.8%	66.7%	67.2%				

BC Unemployment Rate:*



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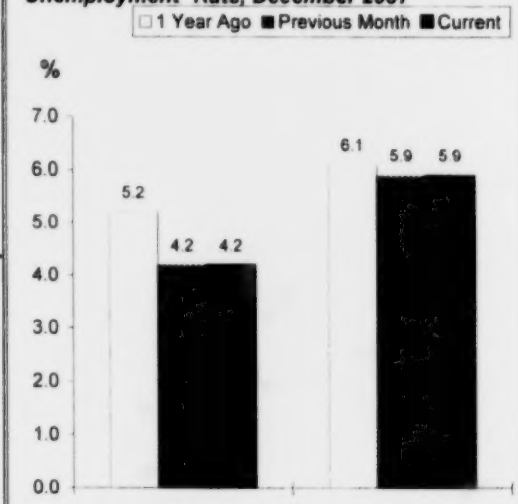
Unemployment Rate, December 2007*



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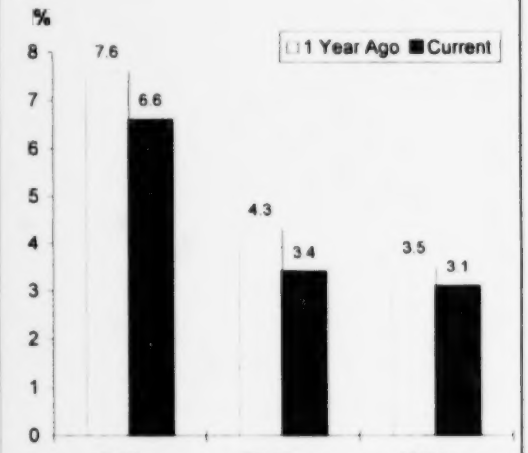
BC Unemployment Rates by Age, December 2007*



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[1] Employment rate is calculated as employment as a percent of the working age population.

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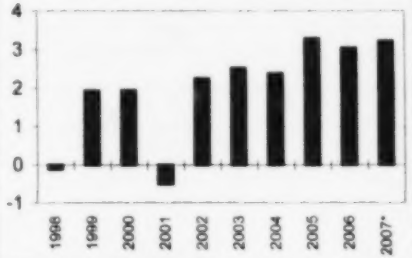
2 BC Monthly Labour Force Data

	Actual							
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	(%)	(%)
1997	2,030.6		1,860.5		170.1		8.4	65.5
1998	2,038.3	0.4	1,858.4	-0.1	179.9	5.8	8.8	64.9
1999	2,064.8	1.3	1,894.4	1.9	170.4	-5.3	8.3	65.1
2000	2,079.9	0.7	1,931.3	1.9	148.6	-12.8	7.1	64.8
2001	2,082.6	0.1	1,921.6	-0.5	161.1	8.4	7.7	64.0
2002	2,147.6	3.1	1,965.0	2.3	182.6	13.3	8.5	65.1
2003	2,190.7	2.0	2,014.7	2.5	176.0	-3.6	8.0	65.6
2004	2,221.9	1.4	2,062.7	2.4	159.2	-9.5	7.2	65.5
2005	2,263.4	1.9	2,130.5	3.3	132.9	-16.5	5.9	65.6
2006	2,305.1	1.8	2,195.5	3.1	109.6	-17.5	4.8	65.7
	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*		
2006 Jan	2,252.5	1.6	2,122.5	3.1	130.0	-18.1	5.8	64.7
Feb	2,260.2	0.8	2,141.7	3.5	118.5	-30.9	5.2	64.8
Mar	2,267.9	1.7	2,164.9	4.1	102.9	-30.9	4.5	64.9
Apr	2,273.0	1.9	2,169.1	3.7	104.0	-25.0	4.6	65.0
May	2,315.6	1.8	2,202.6	3.0	113.1	-17.2	4.9	66.1
Jun	2,317.1	1.4	2,226.3	3.1	90.9	-27.6	3.9	66.0
Jul	2,347.5	1.8	2,228.2	3.1	119.3	-18.1	5.1	66.8
Aug	2,349.5	1.6	2,222.3	2.6	127.2	-13.1	5.4	66.8
Sep	2,311.9	2.3	2,211.0	3.2	100.9	-13.2	4.4	65.6
Oct	2,325.0	2.7	2,228.1	3.1	96.9	-6.8	4.2	65.9
Nov	2,314.9	1.9	2,209.1	1.9	105.8	2.5	4.6	65.5
Dec	2,325.6	2.6	2,219.6	2.4	106.0	7.1	4.6	65.7
2007 Jan	2,325.4	3.2	2,213.4	4.3	112.0	-13.8	4.8	65.6
Feb	2,324.3	2.8	2,221.2	3.7	103.1	-13.0	4.4	65.5
Mar	2,336.3	3.0	2,245.8	3.7	90.5	-12.1	3.9	65.8
Apr	2,333.3	2.7	2,225.9	2.6	107.4	3.3	4.6	65.6
May	2,378.7	2.7	2,274.6	3.3	104.1	-8.0	4.4	66.8
Jun	2,392.7	3.3	2,294.9	3.1	97.7	7.5	4.1	67.1
Jul	2,392.8	1.9	2,287.6	2.7	105.2	-11.8	4.4	67.0
Aug	2,399.6	2.1	2,291.3	3.1	108.4	-14.8	4.5	67.1
Sep	2,367.3	2.4	2,272.4	2.8	95.0	-5.8	4.0	66.0
Oct	2,378.0	2.3	2,283.9	2.5	94.1	-2.9	4.0	66.2
Nov	2,390.5	3.3	2,297.8	4.0	92.6	-12.5	3.9	66.4
Dec	2,377.5	2.2	2,287.3	3.1	90.2	-14.9	3.8	66.0
Average:								
Jan-Dec06	2,305.1		2,195.5		109.6		4.8	65.7
Jan-Dec07	2,366.4		2,266.3		100.0		4.2	66.3
% Change	2.7		3.2		-8.8			

% Change in Employment, Annual Avg



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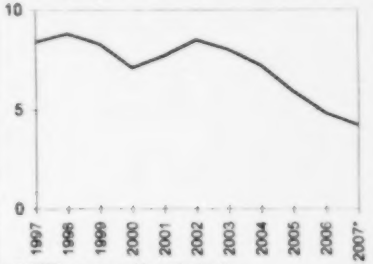
Unemployment Rate, Annual Average



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	Seasonally Adjusted							
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate
	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	(%)	(%)
2006 Jan	2,282.7		2,169.0		113.7		5.0	65.5
Feb	2,283.1	0.0	2,176.3	0.3	106.8	-6.1	4.7	65.5
Mar	2,289.5	0.3	2,187.1	0.5	102.4	-4.1	4.5	65.6
Apr	2,294.9	0.2	2,191.1	0.2	103.8	1.4	4.5	65.6
May	2,301.1	0.3	2,192.1	0.0	109.1	5.1	4.7	65.7
Jun	2,290.4	-0.5	2,190.9	-0.1	99.5	-8.8	4.3	65.3
Jul	2,305.6	0.7	2,195.6	0.2	110.0	10.6	4.8	65.6
Aug	2,307.7	0.1	2,196.5	0.0	111.3	1.2	4.8	65.6
Sep	2,314.9	0.3	2,202.7	0.3	112.2	0.8	4.8	65.7
Oct	2,325.1	0.4	2,215.2	0.6	109.9	-2.0	4.7	65.9
Nov	2,326.0	0.0	2,210.4	-0.2	115.6	5.2	5.0	65.8
Dec	2,340.7	0.6	2,218.5	0.4	122.2	5.7	5.2	66.2
2007 Jan	2,352.0	0.5	2,250.2	1.4	101.8	-16.7	4.3	66.4
Feb	2,347.4	-0.2	2,252.9	0.1	94.6	-7.1	4.0	66.2
Mar	2,357.3	0.4	2,265.4	0.6	91.9	-2.9	3.9	66.4
Apr	2,353.8	-0.1	2,249.1	-0.7	104.7	13.9	4.4	66.2
May	2,362.4	0.4	2,263.3	0.6	99.1	-5.3	4.2	66.3
Jun	2,365.0	0.1	2,260.1	-0.1	104.9	5.9	4.4	66.3
Jul	2,355.3	-0.4	2,257.6	-0.1	97.7	-6.9	4.1	65.9
Aug	2,359.8	0.2	2,265.9	0.4	93.9	-3.9	4.0	65.9
Sep	2,369.5	0.4	2,266.8	0.0	102.6	9.3	4.3	66.1
Oct	2,376.2	0.3	2,272.6	0.3	103.6	1.0	4.4	66.2
Nov	2,398.6	0.9	2,298.4	1.1	100.2	-3.3	4.2	66.7
Dec	2,391.7	-0.3	2,291.4	-0.3	100.2	0.0	4.2	66.4
Average:								
Jan-Dec06	2,305.1		2,195.5		109.7		4.8	65.7
Jan-Dec07	2,365.8		2,266.1		99.6		4.2	66.3
% Change	2.6		3.2		-9.2			

* Per cent changes for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, per cent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

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3a: Employment ('000) by Province

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1997	1,860.5	1,451.4	466.2	525.6	5,291.4	3,172.8	309.1	382.0	58.8	188.3	13,706.0
1998	1,858.4	1,509.9	470.5	534.2	5,453.3	3,257.5	315.2	395.3	59.6	192.4	14,046.2
1999	1,894.4	1,544.0	471.6	541.4	5,636.7	3,328.1	325.5	404.0	60.2	201.0	14,406.7
2000	1,931.3	1,584.0	473.5	552.3	5,817.1	3,402.8	331.2	411.4	62.7	198.0	14,764.2
2001	1,921.6	1,630.9	460.3	554.3	5,926.2	3,440.2	330.1	415.2	63.6	203.8	14,946.2
2002	1,965.0	1,670.8	468.3	567.2	6,031.4	3,569.9	343.1	422.9	64.7	207.2	15,310.4
2003	2,014.7	1,716.7	476.1	570.3	6,213.2	3,628.8	343.1	431.2	66.1	212.3	15,672.3
2004	2,062.7	1,757.5	479.7	576.6	6,316.5	3,680.5	350.1	442.2	66.9	214.3	15,947.0
2005	2,130.5	1,784.4	483.5	580.3	6,397.7	3,717.3	350.5	443.1	68.2	214.1	16,169.7
2006	2,195.5	1,870.7	491.6	587.0	6,492.7	3,765.4	355.4	441.8	68.6	215.7	16,484.3

Employment Change*('000), December 2007

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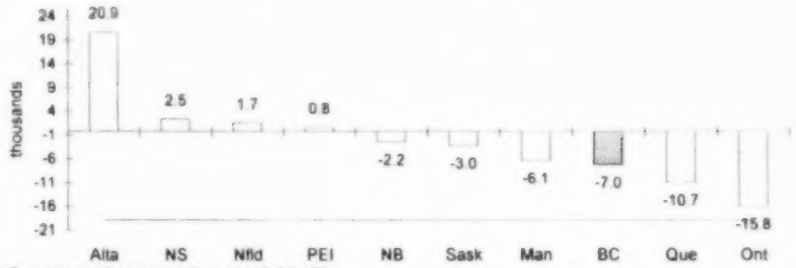


* *Current month over previous month (saadj)*

Seasonally Adjusted

		BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2006	Jan	2,122.5	1,780.2	470.8	574.1	6,337.6	3,639.1	342.9	425.0	63.0	193.9	15,949.1
	Feb	2,141.7	1,812.8	471.9	577.6	6,340.6	3,667.5	342.4	423.7	63.6	199.9	16,041.7
	Mar	2,164.9	1,824.4	474.4	574.2	6,359.6	3,675.3	343.4	428.7	63.2	198.5	16,106.7
	Apr	2,169.1	1,821.5	480.0	582.1	6,419.6	3,674.4	345.4	436.4	64.8	202.6	16,195.9
	May	2,202.6	1,899.2	496.1	596.5	6,582.9	3,789.4	365.0	451.8	72.7	220.0	16,676.0
	Jun	2,226.3	1,908.8	503.4	599.1	6,624.9	3,860.0	373.6	453.5	74.3	230.8	16,854.5
	Jul	2,228.2	1,897.8	504.8	593.2	6,608.5	3,887.6	373.0	453.0	73.5	237.1	16,856.8
	Aug	2,222.3	1,906.2	501.5	595.1	6,598.2	3,843.5	366.8	453.6	74.5	230.3	16,792.0
	Sep	2,211.0	1,886.2	499.1	590.1	6,472.7	3,809.8	357.1	443.4	71.2	225.3	16,565.9
	Oct	2,228.1	1,901.7	501.7	590.1	6,505.2	3,805.4	355.5	445.2	69.2	221.4	16,623.4
	Nov	2,209.1	1,909.7	497.9	586.5	6,518.8	3,776.0	350.7	443.2	67.4	216.1	16,575.5
	Dec	2,219.6	1,899.5	497.3	585.4	6,543.9	3,757.5	349.0	444.5	66.0	211.9	16,574.5
2007	Jan	2,213.4	1,901.9	493.4	579.8	6,437.2	3,701.1	342.4	432.4	64.8	198.6	16,364.9
	Feb	2,221.2	1,916.7	492.5	582.6	6,460.0	3,720.3	344.7	433.6	64.8	203.0	16,439.5
	Mar	2,245.8	1,921.3	494.7	585.8	6,463.8	3,753.5	345.2	433.2	65.4	203.6	16,512.5
	Apr	2,225.9	1,927.9	494.4	587.0	6,489.2	3,785.4	349.9	442.5	65.8	207.7	16,575.7
	May	2,274.6	1,964.0	509.0	604.5	6,634.0	3,862.0	367.3	454.6	71.8	222.2	16,963.9
	Jun	2,294.9	1,995.2	509.9	608.2	6,685.9	3,954.6	382.8	458.9	74.4	230.6	17,195.5
	Jul	2,287.6	2,000.4	508.6	603.1	6,688.3	3,978.8	380.1	457.6	73.6	236.5	17,214.7
	Aug	2,291.3	1,995.0	504.5	603.3	6,699.2	3,938.8	378.8	456.6	75.1	230.9	17,173.5
	Sep	2,272.4	1,974.0	504.4	599.4	6,603.6	3,897.5	369.5	448.1	71.8	224.4	16,965.2
	Oct	2,283.9	1,971.9	504.5	604.2	6,681.2	3,895.1	365.6	454.0	71.5	219.8	17,051.9
	Nov	2,297.8	1,962.7	505.9	603.9	6,656.9	3,885.4	366.8	448.4	66.7	215.3	17,009.9
	Dec	2,287.3	1,982.3	499.1	595.9	6,626.0	3,848.0	360.6	451.1	66.4	213.0	16,929.8
Average:												
Jan-Dec06		2,195.5	1,870.7	491.6	587.0	6,492.7	3,765.5	355.4	441.8	68.6	215.7	16,484.3
Jan-Dec07		2,266.3	1,959.4	501.7	596.5	6,593.8	3,851.7	362.8	447.6	69.3	217.1	16,866.4
% Change		3.2	4.7	2.1	1.6	1.6	2.3	2.1	1.3	1.1	0.7	2.3
		3.2	4.7	2.1	1.6	1.6	2.2	2.1	1.3	1.3	0.7	2.3

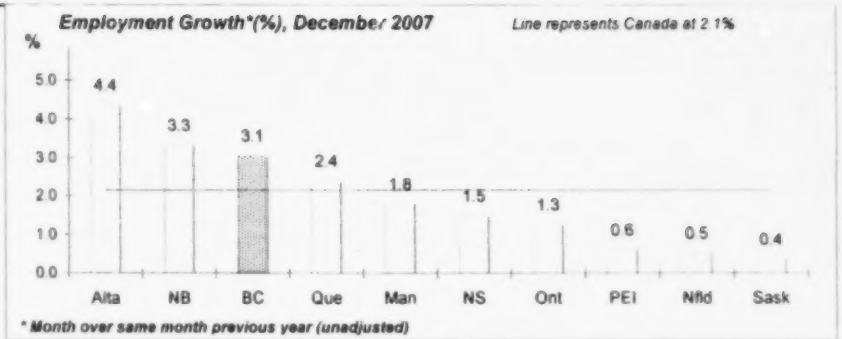
Produced by: **BC Stats**

Source: **Statistics Canada**

3b Employment Growth by Province (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1997	2.4	3.3	2.1	1.6	2.4	1.4	1.2	1.4	-0.2	0.4	2.1
1998	-0.1	4.0	0.9	1.6	3.1	2.7	2.0	3.5	1.4	2.2	2.5
1999	1.9	2.3	0.2	1.3	3.4	2.2	3.3	2.2	1.0	4.5	2.6
2000	1.9	2.6	0.4	2.0	3.2	2.2	1.8	1.8	4.2	-1.5	2.5
2001	-0.5	3.0	-2.8	0.4	1.9	1.1	-0.3	0.9	1.4	2.9	1.2
2002	2.3	2.4	1.7	2.3	1.8	3.8	3.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	2.4
2003	2.5	2.7	1.7	0.5	3.0	1.6	0.0	2.0	2.2	2.5	2.4
2004	2.4	2.4	0.8	1.1	1.7	1.4	2.0	2.6	1.2	0.9	1.8
2005	3.3	1.5	0.8	0.6	1.3	1.0	0.1	0.2	1.9	-0.1	1.4
2006	3.1	4.8	1.7	1.2	1.5	1.3	1.4	-0.3	0.6	0.7	1.9



*Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

Seasonally Adjusted

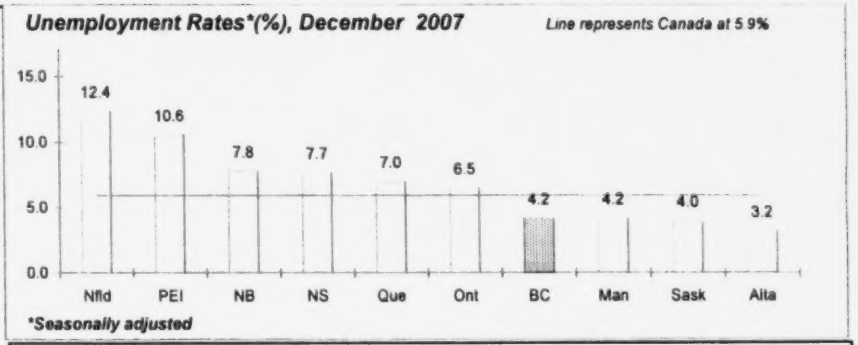
		BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2006	Jan	3.1	2.3	-0.5	1.1	1.9	1.1	3.0	-0.4	0.3	-2.7	1.7
	Feb	3.5	3.7	-0.9	0.7	1.3	1.2	2.6	-0.4	0.5	1.4	1.7
	Mar	4.1	3.9	-1.1	0.8	1.8	1.5	2.9	0.3	-0.8	-1.5	2.1
	Apr	3.7	3.8	0.8	2.0	1.7	0.8	2.6	0.5	2.0	1.2	1.9
	May	3.0	5.5	0.2	1.6	1.9	2.5	1.4	-0.6	3.0	2.5	2.5
	Jun	3.1	5.2	1.1	1.6	1.8	1.7	2.6	-0.9	1.4	-0.8	2.2
	Jul	3.1	4.6	1.5	0.7	1.9	1.3	1.3	-1.2	-0.5	-2.0	2.0
	Aug	2.6	5.2	1.9	1.4	1.4	0.8	-0.2	-1.6	0.8	1.8	1.7
	Sep	3.2	5.6	3.9	1.4	0.8	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.4	1.7	1.9
	Oct	3.1	6.2	4.5	1.2	0.5	1.2	1.2	-0.4	-0.7	2.5	1.8
	Nov	1.9	6.3	3.9	0.5	0.9	1.1	-0.3	0.5	0.3	1.0	1.7
	Dec	2.4	5.6	4.8	0.6	1.8	1.1	-0.3	1.1	0.2	4.1	2.1
2007	Jan	4.3	6.8	4.8	1.0	1.6	1.7	-0.1	1.7	2.9	2.4	2.6
	Feb	3.7	5.7	4.4	0.9	1.9	1.4	0.7	2.3	1.9	1.6	2.5
	Mar	3.7	5.3	4.3	2.0	1.6	2.1	0.5	1.0	3.5	2.6	2.5
	Apr	2.6	5.8	3.0	0.8	1.1	3.0	1.3	1.4	1.5	2.5	2.3
	May	3.3	3.4	2.6	1.3	0.8	1.9	0.6	0.6	-1.2	1.0	1.7
	Jun	3.1	4.5	1.3	1.5	0.9	2.5	2.5	1.2	0.1	-0.1	2.0
	Jul	2.7	5.4	0.8	1.7	1.2	2.3	1.9	1.0	0.1	-0.3	2.1
	Aug	3.1	4.7	0.6	1.4	1.5	2.5	3.3	0.7	0.8	0.3	2.3
	Sep	2.8	4.7	1.1	1.6	2.0	2.3	3.5	1.1	0.8	-0.4	2.4
	Oct	2.5	3.7	0.6	2.4	2.7	2.4	2.8	2.0	3.3	-0.7	2.6
	Nov	4.0	2.8	1.6	3.0	2.1	2.9	4.6	1.2	-1.0	-0.4	2.6
	Dec	3.1	4.4	0.4	1.8	1.3	2.4	3.3	1.5	0.6	0.5	2.1
		-0.3	1.1	-0.6	-1.0	-0.2	-0.3	-0.6	0.6	1.2	0.8	-0.1

Note: growth rates for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, growth rates are calculated as month over previous month.

4a Provincial Unemployment Rates (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1997	8.4	5.9	6.0	6.5	8.4	11.4	12.7	12.2	15.4	18.4	9.1
1998	8.8	5.6	5.8	5.6	7.2	10.3	12.2	10.5	13.9	17.9	8.3
1999	8.3	5.7	6.1	5.6	6.3	9.3	10.2	9.6	14.3	16.9	7.6
2000	7.1	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.8	8.5	10.0	9.1	12.1	16.7	6.8
2001	7.7	4.6	5.8	5.1	6.3	8.8	11.1	9.7	11.9	16.1	7.2
2002	8.5	5.3	5.7	5.1	7.1	8.6	10.2	9.6	12.0	16.7	7.7
2003	8.0	5.1	5.6	5.0	6.9	9.1	10.3	9.1	11.0	16.5	7.6
2004	7.2	4.6	5.3	5.3	6.8	8.5	9.8	8.8	11.3	15.7	7.2
2005	5.9	3.9	5.1	4.8	6.6	8.3	9.7	8.4	10.8	15.2	6.8
2006	4.8	3.4	4.7	4.3	6.3	8.0	8.8	7.9	11.0	14.8	6.3



Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2006 Jan	5.8	4.0	5.9	4.8	6.6	9.6	9.8	9.0	14.3	18.8	7.2
Feb	5.2	3.2	5.8	4.7	6.3	8.9	10.6	9.5	14.0	16.7	6.7
Mar	4.5	3.3	5.6	4.5	6.5	9.0	10.2	9.0	15.4	17.4	6.7
Apr	4.6	3.6	5.2	4.9	6.1	8.7	10.7	8.8	14.6	18.9	6.6
May	4.9	3.4	4.4	3.6	6.1	7.6	9.0	8.0	8.8	15.9	6.1
Jun	3.9	3.2	4.1	3.0	5.8	7.2	7.1	7.4	7.0	13.1	5.6
Jul	5.1	3.8	4.6	4.8	7.2	7.8	8.6	7.9	9.4	11.9	6.7
Aug	5.4	4.5	5.8	5.3	7.1	7.8	8.8	7.8	8.4	13.8	6.8
Sep	4.4	3.2	3.9	4.1	6.3	7.3	7.3	7.1	7.8	11.8	5.9
Oct	4.2	2.9	3.3	3.7	5.8	7.0	7.2	7.2	9.2	12.8	5.6
Nov	4.6	3.2	3.5	4.3	5.9	7.9	7.8	7.1	11.4	13.3	5.9
Dec	4.6	3.2	3.9	4.0	5.4	7.5	8.2	6.8	13.6	14.1	5.7
2007 Jan	4.8	3.7	4.6	5.1	6.6	8.8	8.8	8.9	13.9	18.1	6.7
Feb	4.4	3.6	4.2	4.6	6.4	8.6	7.5	8.5	12.9	15.8	6.5
Mar	3.9	3.4	4.2	4.5	7.0	8.2	8.3	9.1	12.8	16.1	6.5
Apr	4.6	3.5	4.3	5.2	6.6	7.6	8.8	8.9	13.0	15.5	6.3
May	4.4	3.8	4.3	4.8	6.5	6.9	8.2	8.1	8.8	13.7	6.1
Jun	4.1	3.4	3.9	3.9	6.3	6.1	5.8	7.4	7.1	11.5	5.6
Jul	4.4	3.4	4.8	4.3	7.3	6.4	7.1	8.5	9.0	11.0	6.2
Aug	4.5	3.9	5.5	4.9	7.0	7.0	7.9	8.4	7.9	12.8	6.4
Sep	4.0	3.3	3.4	3.9	5.9	6.4	7.2	7.3	7.9	11.4	5.5
Oct	4.0	3.2	3.7	3.5	5.5	6.3	6.9	6.7	7.4	12.2	5.3
Nov	3.9	3.7	3.7	3.9	5.7	7.0	6.6	7.8	11.8	12.8	5.6
Dec	3.8	3.1	3.8	4.1	5.8	7.0	7.8	6.8	11.9	12.5	5.6
Average:											
Jan-Dec06	4.8	3.5	4.7	4.3	6.3	8.0	8.8	8.0	11.2	14.9	6.3
Jan-Dec07	4.2	3.5	4.2	4.4	6.4	7.2	7.6	8.0	10.4	13.6	6.0

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2006 Jan	5.0	3.5	5.2	4.4	6.5	8.4	8.9	7.8	10.7	16.3	6.6
Feb	4.7	3.2	5.3	4.3	6.2	8.2	9.4	8.4	10.9	15.1	6.3
Mar	4.5	3.4	5.0	4.2	6.2	8.4	9.2	7.9	12.3	15.7	6.3
Apr	4.5	3.5	4.7	4.7	6.2	8.3	9.0	8.0	10.7	15.8	6.4
May	4.7	3.4	4.8	4.1	6.0	7.9	8.6	8.0	9.9	14.6	6.1
Jun	4.3	3.6	4.9	3.6	6.0	8.0	8.1	8.2	10.8	14.6	6.1
Jul	4.8	3.6	4.6	4.7	6.5	8.1	8.9	8.2	11.3	14.4	6.4
Aug	4.8	4.1	5.3	4.4	6.4	7.9	9.0	8.3	11.0	15.0	6.4
Sep	4.8	3.5	4.2	4.4	6.6	8.0	8.8	7.8	10.7	14.1	6.4
Oct	4.7	3.0	3.9	4.2	6.3	7.7	8.1	8.1	11.1	14.2	6.1
Nov	5.0	3.1	3.9	4.6	6.4	7.9	8.5	7.4	11.2	13.6	6.2
Dec	5.2	3.3	4.0	4.1	6.1	7.5	8.5	7.3	12.4	13.8	6.1
2007 Jan	4.3	3.3	4.1	4.6	6.4	7.7	8.1	7.8	10.7	15.4	6.2
Feb	4.0	3.5	4.0	4.3	6.3	7.8	6.9	7.4	10.1	14.3	6.1
Mar	3.9	3.6	3.8	4.3	6.5	7.6	7.4	7.9	10.3	14.3	6.1
Apr	4.4	3.4	3.9	4.8	6.6	7.2	7.3	8.0	9.4	12.9	6.1
May	4.2	3.8	4.5	5.2	6.3	7.2	7.8	8.0	10.0	12.9	6.1
Jun	4.4	3.8	4.4	4.6	6.5	6.9	6.8	8.1	10.5	13.1	6.1
Jul	4.1	3.3	4.8	4.2	6.6	6.9	7.2	8.8	10.5	13.6	6.0
Aug	4.0	3.5	4.9	4.2	6.4	7.0	7.7	8.9	10.2	13.7	6.0
Sep	4.3	3.6	3.8	4.2	6.2	6.9	8.2	8.0	10.5	13.6	5.9
Oct	4.4	3.4	4.3	4.0	6.0	6.9	7.6	7.6	8.8	13.5	5.8
Nov	4.2	3.6	4.0	4.2	6.2	7.0	7.2	8.0	11.2	13.2	5.9
Dec	4.2	3.2	4.0	4.2	6.5	7.0	7.8	7.7	10.6	12.4	5.9
Average:											
Jan-Dec06	4.8	3.4	4.7	4.3	6.3	8.0	8.8	8.0	11.1	14.8	6.3
Jan-Dec07	4.2	3.5	4.2	4.4	6.4	7.2	7.5	8.0	10.2	13.6	6.0

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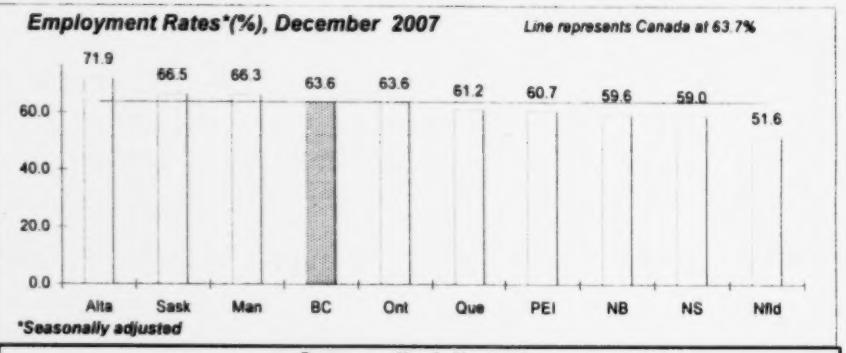
Source: Statistics Canada

4b Provincial Employment Rates (%)

	Actual											Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1997	60.0	67.8	62.2	62.3	60.2	55.0	52.1	52.5	55.9	42.9	58.9											
1998	59.2	68.5	62.7	63.2	61.2	56.1	53.1	54.1	56.4	44.4	59.7											
1999	59.7	68.5	62.8	63.7	62.3	56.9	54.6	55.0	56.6	46.6	60.6											
2000	60.2	68.6	63.3	64.5	63.2	57.8	55.4	55.7	58.7	46.1	61.3											
2001	59.0	69.0	61.8	64.4	63.0	57.9	55.0	55.9	59.0	47.7	61.1											
2002	59.6	69.1	63.1	65.5	62.9	59.5	57.0	56.6	59.5	48.5	61.7											
2003	60.3	69.8	64.0	65.3	63.8	60.0	56.7	57.3	60.2	49.5	62.4											
2004	60.9	70.1	64.3	65.4	63.8	60.2	57.6	58.4	60.3	49.8	62.7											
2005	61.8	69.8	64.6	65.3	63.5	60.1	57.4	58.2	61.1	49.8	62.7											
2006	62.5	70.8	65.9	65.8	63.5	60.2	58.1	57.9	61.1	50.4	63.0											
2006 Jan	60.9	68.6	63.0	64.5	62.3	58.5	56.1	55.8	56.3	45.2	61.3	62.3	69.9	64.6	65.8	63.5	60.2	58.8	58.1	61.4	48.8	62.8
Feb	61.4	69.6	63.1	64.9	62.3	58.9	56.0	55.6	56.8	46.6	61.6	62.4	70.6	64.6	65.9	63.2	60.2	58.7	57.9	61.5	50.2	62.8
Mar	62.0	69.9	63.5	64.5	62.4	59.0	56.2	56.2	56.4	46.3	61.8	62.6	70.7	64.8	65.5	63.5	60.3	58.7	58.1	60.5	49.6	62.9
Apr	62.0	69.6	64.3	65.3	63.0	58.9	56.5	57.2	57.9	47.3	62.1	62.7	70.6	65.4	65.9	63.6	59.8	58.8	58.5	62.1	50.2	62.9
May	62.9	72.3	66.5	66.9	64.5	60.7	59.7	59.3	64.9	51.4	63.8	62.6	71.4	65.3	66.0	63.8	60.3	58.7	58.1	62.1	50.6	63.2
Jun	63.4	72.4	67.5	67.1	64.8	61.8	61.1	59.5	66.2	54.0	64.4	62.4	71.0	65.7	65.9	63.7	60.3	58.4	57.6	61.1	50.2	63.1
Jul	63.4	71.9	67.7	66.5	64.6	62.2	61.0	59.4	65.4	55.5	64.3	62.5	70.8	65.9	65.6	63.6	60.3	58.0	57.4	60.2	49.9	63.0
Aug	63.1	71.9	67.2	66.6	64.4	61.4	60.0	59.4	66.3	53.9	64.0	62.4	70.9	65.9	65.9	63.4	60.2	57.3	57.3	60.8	50.6	62.9
Sep	62.7	70.9	66.9	66.1	63.1	60.8	58.4	58.1	63.3	52.7	63.1	62.5	70.7	66.7	65.9	63.3	60.3	57.2	57.7	60.9	51.0	62.9
Oct	63.1	71.1	67.2	66.1	63.3	60.7	58.2	58.3	61.5	51.9	63.2	62.8	71.2	67.0	65.8	63.2	60.3	57.8	57.9	60.4	51.4	63.0
Nov	62.5	71.2	66.7	65.7	63.4	60.1	57.4	58.1	59.9	50.7	63.0	62.6	71.2	67.1	65.8	63.3	60.3	57.7	58.2	61.1	51.4	63.0
Dec	62.7	70.6	66.6	65.5	63.6	59.8	57.1	58.2	58.6	49.7	62.9	62.7	70.9	67.4	65.7	63.6	60.3	58.0	58.3	60.9	51.3	63.1
2007 Jan	62.5	70.4	66.1	64.8	62.5	58.9	56.0	56.6	57.4	46.6	62.0	63.5	71.5	67.6	66.1	63.6	60.5	58.4	58.8	62.2	50.6	63.4
Feb	62.6	70.7	65.9	65.1	62.7	59.1	56.3	56.8	57.4	47.7	62.2	63.5	71.6	67.3	66.0	63.6	60.4	58.8	59.0	62.0	51.3	63.4
Mar	63.2	70.7	66.1	65.4	62.6	59.6	56.4	56.7	58.0	47.8	62.4	63.8	71.4	67.4	66.3	63.7	60.8	58.8	58.6	62.1	51.1	63.5
Apr	62.6	70.8	66.0	65.5	62.8	60.1	57.1	57.9	58.3	48.9	62.6	63.2	71.6	67.1	66.1	63.5	60.9	59.2	59.0	62.4	51.7	63.4
May	63.9	71.9	67.9	67.3	64.1	61.2	60.0	59.5	63.5	52.4	64.0	63.5	71.1	66.9	66.3	63.5	60.8	58.9	58.5	61.1	51.5	63.4
Jun	64.3	72.8	68.0	67.7	64.6	62.6	62.5	60.1	65.7	54.5	64.8	63.4	71.4	66.3	66.4	63.5	61.1	59.6	58.4	61.0	50.9	63.5
Jul	64.0	72.8	67.7	67.1	64.5	63.0	62.0	59.9	64.9	55.9	64.8	63.2	71.6	66.1	66.2	63.5	61.1	59.1	57.9	60.7	50.5	63.4
Aug	64.0	72.4	67.1	67.0	64.5	62.3	61.7	59.7	66.2	54.6	64.6	63.3	71.5	65.9	66.3	63.5	61.1	59.2	57.8	60.9	51.3	63.4
Sep	63.4	71.5	66.9	66.6	63.6	61.6	60.2	58.6	63.2	53.0	63.7	63.2	71.5	66.7	66.5	63.7	61.1	59.1	58.2	60.9	51.1	63.5
Oct	63.6	71.3	66.8	67.0	64.2	61.5	59.5	59.3	62.9	51.9	64.0	63.3	71.5	66.6	66.8	64.0	61.2	59.2	58.9	61.7	51.2	63.7
Nov	63.9	70.9	66.9	66.9	63.9	61.3	59.6	58.6	58.7	50.8	63.7	63.9	71.2	67.1	67.0	63.9	61.4	60.0	58.7	60.1	51.2	63.8
Dec	63.5	71.6	65.8	66.0	63.6	60.7	58.6	58.9	58.3	50.2	63.4	63.6	71.9	66.5	66.3	63.6	61.2	59.6	59.0	60.7	51.6	63.7
Average:																						
Jan-Dec06	62.5	70.8	65.9	65.8	63.5	60.2	58.1	57.9	61.1	50.4	63.0	62.5	70.8	65.9	65.8	63.5	60.2	58.2	57.9	61.1	50.4	63.0
Jan-Dec07	63.5	71.5	66.8	66.4	63.6	61.0	59.2	58.6	61.2	51.2	63.5	63.5	71.5	66.8	66.4	63.6	61.0	59.2	58.6	61.3	51.2	63.5



5a B[illegible]mployment and Unemployment by Age and Gende[illegible]ctual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1997	137.5	536.4	318.4	1,007.4	27.8	47.1	20.3	96.0	133.0	461.9	249.3	853.0	20.7	36.1	16.9	74.1	270.6	998.3	567.6	1,860.5	48.6	83.1	37.2	170.1
1998	132.1	525.8	316.7	994.0	31.5	50.8	24.2	107.4	126.6	460.5	266.9	864.4	23.1	35.2	13.9	72.5	258.8	986.3	583.6	1,858.4	54.6	86.0	38.2	179.9
1999	138.2	521.0	333.8	1,011.5	26.5	48.5	22.8	98.8	134.8	461.3	278.2	882.9	19.1	35.9	16.4	71.6	273.0	982.3	611.9	1,894.4	45.6	84.4	39.2	170.4
2000	141.0	522.6	350.4	1,031.3	25.7	37.1	20.6	83.8	138.2	458.2	295.8	900.0	18.5	31.2	15.0	64.8	279.2	980.8	646.2	1,931.3	44.2	68.3	35.6	148.6
2001	140.9	509.8	354.1	1,020.1	27.1	44.5	23.0	95.6	138.2	452.8	301.3	901.4	18.0	32.1	14.9	65.5	279.1	962.5	655.4	1,921.6	45.1	76.6	37.9	161.1
2002	147.8	503.2	365.8	1,037.7	30.2	45.8	26.9	104.1	145.8	452.5	318.1	927.3	22.0	37.4	18.4	78.5	293.6	955.8	683.9	1,965.0	52.2	83.2	45.3	182.6
2003	149.3	502.2	389.7	1,065.8	28.5	39.2	27.0	95.5	149.7	454.6	333.3	948.9	21.8	36.4	21.6	80.5	299.0	956.8	723.0	2,014.7	50.3	75.6	48.5	176.0
2004	153.8	508.2	403.8	1,091.2	25.9	34.4	24.1	85.4	154.0	463.7	342.6	971.5	21.9	30.5	20.8	73.7	307.8	971.9	746.4	2,062.7	47.8	64.9	44.8	159.2
2005	166.5	513.1	424.4	1,130.5	20.3	27.1	21.4	69.8	165.7	457.3	360.8	1,000.0	17.1	26.0	19.5	63.1	332.1	970.4	785.3	2,130.5	37.4	53.1	40.9	132.9
2006	172.7	520.1	439.8	1,160.9	17.5	21.2	16.0	56.2	176.9	465.8	376.8	1,034.5	13.9	22.3	16.1	53.4	349.6	985.9	816.6	2,195.5	31.4	43.5	32.0	109.6
2006 Jan	160.3	506.2	423.3	1,113.1	17.1	30.2	19.0	68.5	165.5	467.7	361.1	1,009.4	12.2	27.1	21.2	61.5	325.8	973.9	784.5	2,122.5	29.4	57.2	40.1	130.0
Feb	166.0	510.4	427.7	1,130.3	16.9	23.7	20.4	63.5	169.8	460.2	364.5	1,011.4	11.9	26.1	16.4	55.0	335.9	970.6	792.1	2,141.7	28.8	49.9	36.8	118.5
Mar	168.8	513.4	432.6	1,143.4	14.8	22.0	15.0	53.4	169.8	461.1	372.0	1,021.5	11.3	23.4	14.0	49.5	338.6	974.5	804.5	2,164.9	26.1	45.4	29.0	102.9
Apr	170.3	512.1	432.4	1,142.2	12.1	21.3	13.7	47.8	168.8	469.7	372.8	1,026.9	17.0	23.1	15.3	56.2	339.1	981.7	805.2	2,169.1	29.1	44.4	29.0	104.0
May	176.1	522.0	434.2	1,162.0	20.4	22.5	14.9	58.7	178.2	472.4	373.9	1,040.6	16.7	23.2	14.0	54.4	354.3	994.4	808.1	2,202.6	37.1	45.7	28.9	113.1
Jun	176.5	526.0	443.1	1,173.4	17.4	16.0	13.6	47.9	189.6	468.6	378.2	1,052.9	11.3	17.7	13.4	42.9	366.1	994.5	821.3	2,226.3	28.7	33.7	27.0	90.9
Jul	191.1	523.5	442.8	1,185.8	26.6	16.8	17.0	61.0	191.3	464.1	373.4	1,042.4	19.7	21.9	15.6	58.3	382.4	987.5	816.2	2,228.2	46.4	38.8	32.7	119.3
Aug	189.7	527.1	442.0	1,187.0	18.1	22.2	17.7	59.7	190.3	461.4	371.3	1,035.3	16.4	25.5	23.4	67.5	380.0	988.4	813.3	2,222.3	34.5	47.7	41.1	127.2
Sep	163.0	535.8	448.4	1,172.3	16.1	17.6	17.4	52.4	175.3	467.5	384.1	1,038.7	13.2	17.8	16.6	48.5	338.2	1,003.3	832.6	2,211.0	29.3	35.4	34.0	100.9
Oct	169.6	529.2	448.9	1,177.1	15.2	18.1	14.6	50.0	176.5	471.9	388.9	1,051.0	13.8	17.4	14.1	46.9	346.1	1,001.2	837.8	2,228.1	29.0	35.5	28.7	96.9
Nov	169.8	520.1	449.8	1,172.2	18.9	21.1	14.5	57.5	172.7	458.9	389.9	1,036.9	10.7	23.0	11.8	48.2	342.5	978.9	839.7	2,209.1	29.7	44.1	26.3	105.8
Dec	171.8	515.0	453.0	1,172.1	16.2	22.6	14.1	54.6	174.9	466.4	391.0	1,047.4	12.4	21.7	16.8	51.4	346.7	981.4	844.0	2,219.6	28.6	44.4	31.0	106.0
2007 Jan	170.9	520.2	453.8	1,176.5	18.2	21.3	13.8	54.7	162.1	469.5	387.0	1,036.9	16.0	18.5	21.7	57.3	333.0	989.7	840.8	2,213.4	34.1	39.8	35.6	112.0
Feb	173.8	522.4	454.7	1,182.4	16.1	20.0	15.6	54.3	167.1	467.8	383.9	1,038.8	12.9	17.6	18.3	48.8	341.0	990.2	838.6	2,221.2	29.0	37.6	33.9	103.1
Mar	175.3	524.3	457.8	1,184.6	13.4	17.4	16.3	49.2	169.6	478.4	395.0	1,061.2	11.7	16.3	13.4	41.4	344.9	1,002.7	852.8	2,245.8	25.1	33.7	29.8	90.5
Apr	176.4	527.4	455.1	1,183.1	14.3	20.3	19.4	55.7	158.1	470.9	396.5	1,042.8	14.5	19.5	17.2	51.7	334.5	998.2	851.6	2,225.9	28.7	39.8	36.6	107.4
May	189.6	530.2	466.3	1,212.6	15.6	16.7	14.4	47.5	177.9	475.0	394.0	1,061.9	16.1	23.4	16.6	56.6	367.5	1,005.3	860.2	2,274.6	31.7	40.1	31.1	104.1
Jun	198.4	539.2	465.9	1,227.0	17.5	19.9	15.4	53.1	182.2	467.2	399.5	1,068.0	14.8	17.5	11.9	44.7	380.6	1,006.5	865.5	2,294.9	32.3	37.4	27.3	97.7
Jul	213.4	534.7	459.3	1,234.6	20.0	21.9	13.6	55.7	186.8	459.2	388.2	1,053.0	17.7	14.7	17.0	49.5	400.2	993.9	847.5	2,287.6	37.7	36.6	30.6	105.2
Aug	211.7	531.2	463.0	1,236.3	13.8	19.0	12.9	45.8	193.1	448.5	395.8	1,054.9	13.1	30.8	18.7	62.6	404.8	979.8	858.8	2,291.3	26.8	49.9	31.6	108.4
Sep	188.3	535.6	469.7	1,223.9	13.8	15.3	11.3	40.5	169.8	455.0	406.7	1,048.4	17.3	25.7	10.9	54.5	358.1	990.6	876.4	2,272.4	31.1	41.0	22.2	95.0
Oct	186.9	532.8	469.9	1,224.7	14.7	19.2	14.7	50.2	171.6	465.8	404.4	1,059.2	11.6	19.1	12.6	43.8	358.5	998.6	874.3	2,283.9	26.3	38.3	27.3	94.1
Nov	188.1	534.1	468.5	1,226.1	11.4	19.8	14.9	46.7	178.2	474.7	399.8	1,071.8	16.0	15.4	14.1	45.9	366.2	1,008.8	868.3	2,297.8	27.4	35.2	29.0	92.6
Dec	185.7	531.2	467.7	1,219.0	14.3	23.1	15.5	53.9	176.9	479.7	395.4	1,068.3	11.5	12.5	12.0	36.4	362.6	1,010.9	863.1	2,287.3	25.8	35.6	27.5	90.2
Average:																								
Jan-Dec06	172.8	520.1	439.9	1,160.9	17.5	21.2	16.0	56.3	176.9	465.8	376.8	1,034.5	13.9	22.3	16.1	53.4	349.6	985.9	816.6	2,195.5	31.4	43.5	32.1	109.6
Jan-Dec07	188.2	530.3	462.6	1,210.9	15.3	19.5	14.8	50.6	174.5	467.6	395.5	1,055.4	14.4	19.3	15.4	49.4	362.7	997.9	858.2	2,266.3	29.7	38.8	30.2	100.0
% Change	8.9	2.0	5.2	4.3	-12.7	-7.9	-7.3	-10.0	-1.4	0.4	5.0	2.0	4.0	-13.8	-4.3	-7.4	3.7	1.2	5.1	3.2	-5.5	-11.0	-5.7	-8.8

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

5b BC Participation Rates and Unemployment Rates by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1997	63.7	91.9	79.2	72.1	16.8	8.1	6.0	8.7	61.6	78.3	62.5	59.1	13.5	7.2	6.3	8.0	62.6	85.1	70.8	65.5	15.2	7.7	6.1	8.4
1998	62.3	91.5	76.9	71.1	19.3	8.8	7.1	9.8	59.5	78.1	63.5	58.9	15.4	7.1	5.0	7.7	60.9	84.8	70.2	64.9	17.4	8.0	6.1	8.8
1999	62.0	91.4	77.8	71.0	16.1	8.5	6.4	8.9	60.5	78.9	64.2	59.3	12.4	7.2	5.6	7.5	61.3	85.1	71.0	65.1	14.3	7.9	6.0	8.3
2000	61.9	90.8	78.3	70.5	15.4	6.6	5.6	7.5	60.9	78.2	65.3	59.3	11.8	6.4	4.8	6.7	61.4	84.4	71.8	64.8	13.7	6.5	5.2	7.1
2001	61.2	90.6	77.1	69.5	16.1	8.0	6.1	8.6	59.7	77.9	64.0	58.6	11.5	6.6	4.7	6.8	60.5	84.2	70.5	64.0	13.9	7.4	5.5	7.7
2002	63.8	90.6	77.6	70.3	17.0	8.3	6.9	9.1	62.9	79.4	65.6	60.1	13.1	7.6	5.5	7.8	63.4	84.9	71.5	65.1	15.1	8.0	6.2	8.5
2003	63.0	90.4	79.6	70.7	16.0	7.2	6.5	8.2	63.2	80.5	66.7	60.7	12.7	7.4	6.1	7.8	63.1	85.4	73.1	65.6	14.4	7.3	6.3	8.0
2004	62.8	91.2	79.1	70.6	14.4	6.3	5.6	7.3	63.9	81.5	65.9	60.7	12.5	6.2	5.7	7.1	63.3	86.3	72.4	65.5	13.4	6.3	5.7	7.2
2005	64.2	90.9	79.9	70.8	10.9	5.0	4.8	5.8	65.5	79.7	66.6	60.7	9.4	5.4	5.1	5.9	64.8	85.3	73.2	65.6	10.1	5.2	5.0	5.9
2006	64.6	90.6	79.1	70.4	9.2	3.9	3.5	4.6	67.7	80.2	66.6	61.0	7.3	4.6	4.1	4.9	66.1	85.4	72.8	65.7	8.2	4.2	3.8	4.8
2006 Jan	60.4	90.1	77.8	68.9	9.6	5.6	4.3	5.8	63.2	81.5	65.7	60.5	6.9	5.5	5.5	5.7	61.8	85.7	71.7	64.7	8.3	5.5	4.9	5.8
Feb	62.3	89.7	78.7	69.6	9.2	4.4	4.6	5.3	64.6	80.1	65.3	60.2	6.5	5.4	4.3	5.2	63.4	84.8	71.9	64.8	7.9	4.9	4.4	5.2
Mar	62.5	89.8	78.4	69.6	8.1	4.1	3.4	4.5	64.4	79.8	66.1	60.4	6.2	4.8	3.6	4.6	63.4	84.7	72.2	64.9	7.2	4.5	3.5	4.5
Apr	62.1	89.4	77.9	69.1	6.6	4.0	3.1	4.0	66.0	81.0	66.3	61.0	9.1	4.7	3.9	5.2	64.0	85.2	72.0	65.0	7.9	4.3	3.5	4.6
May	66.8	91.2	78.2	70.8	10.4	4.1	3.3	4.8	69.2	81.5	66.0	61.5	8.6	4.7	3.6	5.0	68.0	86.3	72.1	66.1	9.5	4.4	3.5	4.9
Jun	65.9	90.7	79.4	70.7	9.0	3.0	3.0	3.9	71.3	79.9	66.5	61.5	5.6	3.6	3.4	3.9	68.5	85.2	72.9	66.0	7.3	3.3	3.2	3.9
Jul	73.9	90.4	79.7	72.1	12.2	3.1	3.7	4.9	74.8	79.8	65.9	61.7	9.3	4.5	4.0	5.3	74.4	85.1	72.7	66.8	10.8	3.8	3.9	5.1
Aug	70.5	91.9	79.4	72.0	8.7	4.0	3.9	4.8	73.3	80.0	66.7	61.7	7.9	5.2	5.9	6.1	71.9	85.9	73.0	66.8	8.3	4.6	4.8	5.4
Sep	60.8	92.6	80.3	70.6	9.0	3.2	3.7	4.3	66.7	79.7	67.5	60.8	7.0	3.7	4.1	4.5	63.7	86.1	73.9	65.6	8.0	3.4	3.9	4.4
Oct	62.7	91.5	79.7	70.6	8.2	3.3	3.1	4.1	67.4	80.3	67.7	61.3	7.3	3.6	3.5	4.3	65.0	85.9	73.7	65.9	7.7	3.4	3.3	4.2
Nov	64.0	90.4	79.7	70.7	10.0	3.9	3.1	4.7	64.9	79.1	67.4	60.5	5.8	4.8	2.9	4.4	64.5	84.7	73.4	65.5	8.0	4.3	3.0	4.6
Dec	63.8	89.7	80.0	70.4	8.6	4.2	3.0	4.5	66.3	80.1	68.2	61.2	6.6	4.4	4.1	4.7	65.0	84.9	74.0	65.7	7.6	4.3	3.5	4.6
2007 Jan	64.1	90.4	79.8	70.6	9.6	3.9	3.0	4.4	63.0	80.1	68.2	60.8	9.0	3.8	5.3	5.2	63.6	85.2	73.9	65.6	9.3	3.9	4.1	4.8
Feb	64.4	90.5	80.1	70.8	8.5	3.7	3.3	4.4	63.7	79.6	66.9	60.4	7.2	3.6	4.5	4.5	64.0	85.0	73.4	65.5	7.8	3.7	3.9	4.4
Mar	64.0	90.3	80.6	70.5	7.1	3.2	3.4	4.0	64.1	81.1	67.8	61.2	6.5	3.3	3.3	3.8	64.0	85.7	74.1	65.8	6.8	3.3	3.4	3.9
Apr	64.6	91.3	80.4	70.7	7.5	3.7	4.1	4.5	61.0	80.4	68.5	60.6	8.4	4.0	4.2	4.7	62.8	85.8	74.4	65.6	7.9	3.8	4.1	4.6
May	69.6	91.1	81.3	71.9	7.6	3.1	3.0	3.8	68.5	81.7	67.8	61.9	8.3	4.7	4.0	5.1	69.1	86.4	74.4	66.8	7.9	3.8	3.5	4.4
Jun	73.2	93.1	81.2	72.9	8.1	3.6	3.2	4.1	69.6	79.4	67.8	61.5	7.5	3.6	2.9	4.0	71.4	86.2	74.4	67.1	7.8	3.6	3.1	4.1
Jul	79.1	92.6	79.5	73.3	8.6	3.9	2.9	4.3	72.2	77.6	66.6	60.8	8.7	3.1	4.2	4.5	75.7	85.1	73.0	67.0	8.6	3.6	3.5	4.4
Aug	76.4	91.5	79.8	72.8	6.1	3.5	2.7	3.6	72.8	78.5	67.9	61.5	6.4	6.4	4.5	5.6	74.6	84.9	73.8	67.1	6.2	4.8	3.5	4.5
Sep	68.4	91.5	80.4	71.6	6.8	2.8	2.3	3.2	65.9	78.6	68.2	60.6	9.2	5.3	2.6	4.9	67.2	85.0	74.3	66.0	8.0	4.0	2.5	4.0
Oct	68.1	91.6	80.8	72.1	7.3	3.5	3.0	3.9	64.5	79.2	68.0	60.5	6.3	3.9	3.0	4.0	66.3	85.4	74.3	66.2	6.8	3.7	3.0	4.0
Nov	67.4	91.8	80.4	71.8	5.7	3.6	3.1	3.7	68.2	80.0	67.3	61.2	8.2	3.1	3.4	4.1	67.8	85.9	73.8	66.4	7.0	3.4	3.2	3.9
Dec	67.5	91.8	80.2	71.7	7.2	4.2	3.2	4.2	66.2	80.3	66.1	60.4	6.1	2.5	2.9	3.3	66.9	86.0	73.1	66.0	6.6	3.4	3.1	3.8
Average:																								
Jan-Dec06	64.6	90.6	79.1	70.4	9.1	3.9	3.5	4.6	67.7	80.2	66.6	61.0	7.2	4.6	4.1	4.9	66.1	85.4	72.8	65.7	8.2	4.2	3.8	4.8
Jan-Dec07	68.9	91.5	80.4	71.7	7.5	3.6	3.1	4.0	66.6	79.7	67.6	61.0	7.7	3.9	3.7	4.5	67.8	85.6	73.9	66.3	7.6	3.8	3.4	4.2

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

5c Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men						Women						Total					
	Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1997	137.5	869.9	1,007.4	27.8	68.2	96.0	133.0	720.0	853.0	20.7	53.3	74.1	270.6	1,589.9	1,860.5	48.6	121.5	170.1
1998	132.1	861.9	994.0	31.5	76.0	107.4	126.6	737.8	864.4	23.1	49.4	72.5	258.8	1,599.6	1,858.4	54.6	125.3	179.9
1999	138.2	873.3	1,011.5	26.5	72.3	98.8	134.8	748.1	882.9	19.1	52.5	71.6	273.0	1,621.4	1,894.4	45.6	124.9	170.4
2000	141.0	890.3	1,031.3	25.7	58.1	83.8	138.2	761.7	900.0	18.5	46.3	64.8	279.2	1,652.1	1,931.3	44.2	104.4	148.6
2001	140.9	879.2	1,020.1	27.1	68.5	95.6	138.2	763.3	901.4	18.0	47.5	65.5	279.1	1,642.5	1,921.6	45.1	116.0	161.1
2002	147.8	889.9	1,037.7	30.2	74.0	104.1	145.8	781.5	927.3	22.0	56.5	78.5	293.6	1,671.4	1,965.0	52.2	130.4	182.6
2003	149.3	916.5	1,065.8	28.5	67.1	95.5	149.7	799.2	948.9	21.8	58.7	80.5	299.0	1,715.7	2,014.7	50.3	125.7	176.0
2004	153.8	937.4	1,091.2	25.9	59.5	85.4	154.0	817.5	971.5	21.9	51.8	73.7	307.8	1,754.9	2,062.7	47.8	111.3	159.2
2005	166.5	964.0	1,130.5	20.3	49.5	69.8	165.7	834.4	1,000.0	17.1	46.0	63.1	332.1	1,798.4	2,130.5	37.4	95.5	132.9
2006	172.7	988.2	1,160.9	17.5	38.8	56.2	176.9	857.6	1,034.5	13.9	39.5	53.4	349.6	1,845.8	2,195.5	31.4	78.2	109.6
2006 Jan	174.1	972.2	1,146.3	15.6	41.5	57.1	172.9	849.8	1,022.7	12.9	43.7	56.6	347.0	1,822.0	2,169.0	28.5	85.2	113.7
Feb	176.3	977.7	1,154.0	15.8	37.8	53.6	175.2	847.1	1,022.3	13.1	40.1	53.2	351.5	1,824.8	2,176.3	28.9	77.8	106.8
Mar	176.9	983.2	1,160.1	15.4	34.7	50.1	176.0	851.0	1,027.0	13.7	38.6	52.4	352.9	1,834.2	2,187.1	29.1	73.3	102.4
Apr	177.7	981.3	1,159.0	13.3	33.8	47.1	177.1	855.0	1,032.1	16.4	40.3	56.7	354.8	1,836.3	2,191.1	29.7	74.1	103.8
May	174.4	982.0	1,156.3	17.8	39.0	56.8	175.0	860.7	1,035.7	13.7	38.5	52.3	349.4	1,842.7	2,192.1	31.5	77.6	109.1
Jun	168.3	985.1	1,153.4	17.9	34.7	52.6	180.7	856.7	1,037.5	11.6	35.3	46.9	349.1	1,841.8	2,190.9	29.5	70.0	99.5
Jul	171.2	986.7	1,158.0	19.4	38.9	58.3	177.9	859.7	1,037.6	13.4	38.3	51.7	349.2	1,846.4	2,195.6	32.8	77.2	110.0
Aug	171.5	990.1	1,161.6	17.1	40.9	58.0	178.1	856.8	1,034.9	13.7	39.6	53.2	349.6	1,846.9	2,196.5	30.8	80.5	111.3
Sep	168.3	995.7	1,164.0	17.7	43.7	61.4	180.0	858.7	1,038.7	13.5	37.3	50.8	348.3	1,854.4	2,202.7	31.2	81.0	112.2
Oct	170.8	998.8	1,169.5	17.9	41.2	59.1	179.2	866.5	1,045.7	14.5	36.3	50.8	350.0	1,865.2	2,215.2	32.4	77.4	109.9
Nov	171.6	1,000.5	1,172.1	22.1	40.1	62.2	174.7	863.6	1,038.3	13.9	39.6	53.5	346.3	1,864.1	2,210.4	36.0	79.7	115.6
Dec	172.1	1,004.4	1,176.5	20.7	38.6	59.2	175.5	866.5	1,042.0	16.3	46.6	62.9	347.6	1,870.9	2,218.5	37.0	85.2	122.2
2007 Jan	183.5	1,018.7	1,202.2	17.4	29.8	47.2	170.7	877.3	1,048.0	16.4	38.2	54.5	354.2	1,896.0	2,250.2	33.8	68.0	101.8
Feb	182.8	1,020.8	1,203.6	15.8	29.9	45.7	172.7	876.6	1,049.3	14.3	34.6	48.9	355.5	1,897.4	2,252.9	30.1	64.5	94.6
Mar	184.1	1,017.4	1,201.5	14.4	32.2	46.6	175.2	888.7	1,064.0	14.0	31.2	45.2	359.3	1,906.1	2,265.4	28.4	63.4	91.9
Apr	183.0	1,016.4	1,199.4	15.4	38.6	54.0	168.3	881.4	1,049.6	13.4	37.3	50.7	351.3	1,897.8	2,249.1	28.8	75.9	104.7
May	187.2	1,018.7	1,206.0	13.8	32.7	46.5	175.2	882.1	1,057.3	12.8	39.8	52.6	362.5	1,900.8	2,263.3	26.6	72.5	99.1
Jun	189.1	1,017.0	1,206.1	16.9	39.5	56.4	173.0	881.1	1,054.1	14.6	33.9	48.4	362.0	1,898.1	2,260.1	31.5	73.4	104.9
Jul	191.5	1,015.4	1,206.8	14.7	39.3	54.0	173.7	877.1	1,050.8	12.0	31.7	43.7	365.2	1,892.4	2,257.6	26.7	71.0	97.7
Aug	191.6	1,019.2	1,210.7	13.4	32.1	45.5	179.2	876.0	1,055.2	11.3	37.1	48.4	370.8	1,895.2	2,265.9	24.7	69.2	93.9
Sep	193.4	1,023.0	1,216.3	14.8	32.3	47.2	174.2	876.3	1,050.5	17.4	38.1	55.5	367.6	1,899.3	2,266.8	32.2	70.4	102.6
Oct	189.5	1,029.4	1,218.9	16.3	38.9	55.2	173.5	880.2	1,053.7	13.0	35.4	48.4	363.0	1,909.6	2,272.6	29.3	74.4	103.6
Nov	191.6	1,035.7	1,227.3	13.9	35.7	49.7	178.7	892.3	1,071.0	18.9	31.7	50.6	370.3	1,928.0	2,298.4	32.8	67.4	100.2
Dec	189.3	1,037.5	1,226.8	16.5	38.0	54.5	176.9	887.7	1,064.6	15.0	30.7	45.7	366.3	1,925.2	2,291.4	31.5	68.7	100.2
Average:																		
Jan-Dec06	172.8	988.1	1,160.9	17.6	38.7	56.3	176.9	857.7	1,034.5	13.9	39.5	53.4	349.6	1,845.8	2,195.5	31.5	78.3	109.7
Jan-Dec07	188.1	1,022.4	1,210.5	15.3	34.9	50.2	174.3	881.4	1,055.7	14.4	35.0	49.4	362.3	1,903.8	2,266.1	29.7	69.9	99.6
% Change	8.8	3.5	4.3	-13.0	-9.9	-10.8	-1.5	2.8	2.0	3.8	-11.5	-7.6	3.6	3.1	3.2	-5.6	-10.7	-9.2

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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Source: Statistics Canada

5d BC Participation, Unemployment and Employment Rates by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men									Women									Total								
	Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1997	63.7	73.9	72.1	16.8	7.3	8.7	52.9	68.5	65.8	61.6	58.6	59.1	13.5	6.9	8.0	53.3	54.6	54.4	62.6	66.1	65.5	15.2	7.1	8.4	53.1	61.4	60.0
1998	62.3	72.9	71.1	19.3	8.1	9.8	50.3	67.0	64.2	59.5	58.8	58.9	15.4	6.3	7.7	50.3	55.1	54.4	60.9	65.7	64.9	17.4	7.3	8.8	50.3	60.9	59.2
1999	62.0	72.8	71.0	16.1	7.6	8.9	52.0	67.2	64.6	60.5	59.1	59.3	12.4	6.6	7.5	53.0	55.2	54.9	61.3	65.8	65.1	14.3	7.2	8.3	52.5	61.1	59.7
2000	61.9	72.2	70.5	15.4	6.1	7.5	52.3	67.8	65.2	60.9	58.9	59.3	11.8	5.7	6.7	53.7	55.6	55.3	61.4	65.4	64.8	13.7	5.9	7.1	53.0	61.6	60.2
2001	61.2	71.3	69.5	16.1	7.2	8.6	51.3	66.1	63.6	59.7	58.3	58.6	11.5	5.9	6.8	52.8	54.9	54.6	60.5	64.7	64.0	13.9	6.6	7.7	52.1	60.4	59.0
2002	63.8	71.6	70.3	17.0	7.7	9.1	53.0	66.1	63.9	62.9	59.5	60.1	13.1	6.7	7.8	54.7	55.5	55.4	63.4	65.4	65.1	15.1	7.2	8.5	53.8	60.7	59.6
2003	63.0	72.2	70.7	16.0	6.8	8.2	52.9	67.3	64.8	63.2	60.2	60.7	12.7	6.8	7.8	55.2	56.1	55.9	63.1	66.1	65.6	14.4	6.8	8.0	54.0	61.6	60.3
2004	62.8	72.2	70.6	14.4	6.0	7.3	53.7	67.9	65.5	63.9	60.0	60.7	12.5	6.0	7.1	56.0	56.5	56.4	63.3	66.0	65.5	13.4	6.0	7.2	54.8	62.0	60.9
2005	64.2	72.1	70.8	10.9	4.9	5.8	57.2	68.6	66.7	65.5	59.8	60.7	9.4	5.2	5.9	59.4	56.6	57.1	64.8	65.8	65.6	10.1	5.0	5.9	58.2	62.5	61.8
2006	64.6	71.6	70.4	9.2	3.8	4.6	58.7	68.9	67.2	67.7	59.8	61.0	7.3	4.4	4.9	62.8	57.1	58.0	66.1	65.6	65.7	8.2	4.1	4.8	60.7	62.9	62.5
2006 Jan	64.6	71.4	70.2	8.2	4.1	4.7	59.3	68.4	66.9	66.1	60.0	61.0	6.9	4.9	5.2	61.5	57.1	57.8	65.3	65.6	65.5	7.6	4.5	5.0	60.4	62.6	62.3
Feb	65.4	71.4	70.4	8.2	3.7	4.4	60.0	68.7	67.2	66.9	59.5	60.7	7.0	4.5	4.9	62.3	56.8	57.7	66.1	65.3	65.5	7.6	4.1	4.7	61.1	62.6	62.4
Mar	65.5	71.4	70.4	8.0	3.4	4.1	60.2	69.0	67.5	67.4	59.6	60.9	7.2	4.3	4.9	62.5	57.0	57.9	66.4	65.4	65.6	7.6	3.8	4.5	61.3	62.9	62.6
Apr	65.0	71.1	70.1	7.0	3.3	3.9	60.5	68.8	67.3	68.7	59.9	61.3	8.5	4.5	5.2	62.9	57.2	58.1	66.8	65.4	65.6	7.7	3.9	4.5	61.7	62.9	62.7
May	65.3	71.4	70.4	9.3	3.8	4.7	59.3	68.7	67.1	67.0	60.1	61.2	7.3	4.3	4.8	62.1	57.5	58.2	66.1	65.6	65.7	8.3	4.0	4.7	60.7	62.9	62.6
Jun	63.3	71.2	69.8	9.6	3.4	4.4	57.2	68.7	66.8	68.2	59.5	60.9	6.0	4.0	4.3	64.1	57.1	58.2	65.7	65.2	65.3	7.8	3.7	4.3	60.6	62.8	62.4
Jul	64.7	71.5	70.3	10.2	3.8	4.8	58.2	68.8	67.0	67.8	59.8	61.1	7.0	4.3	4.7	63.1	57.2	58.2	66.3	65.5	65.6	8.6	4.0	4.8	60.6	62.9	62.5
Aug	64.0	71.7	70.4	9.1	4.0	4.8	58.2	68.9	67.1	68.0	59.6	60.9	7.1	4.4	4.9	63.1	56.9	57.9	65.9	65.5	65.6	8.1	4.2	4.8	60.6	62.8	62.4
Sep	63.1	72.2	70.6	9.5	4.2	5.0	57.1	69.1	67.1	68.5	59.5	60.9	7.0	4.2	4.7	63.8	57.0	58.1	65.8	65.7	65.7	8.2	4.2	4.8	60.4	62.9	62.5
Oct	64.0	72.1	70.7	9.5	4.0	4.8	58.0	69.2	67.3	68.7	59.8	61.2	7.5	4.0	4.6	63.5	57.4	58.4	66.3	65.8	65.9	8.5	4.0	4.7	60.6	63.2	62.8
Nov	65.7	72.0	70.9	11.4	3.9	5.0	58.2	69.2	67.4	66.8	59.8	60.9	7.4	4.4	4.9	61.9	57.1	57.9	66.2	65.7	65.8	9.4	4.1	5.0	60.0	63.1	62.6
Dec	65.4	72.1	70.9	10.7	3.7	4.8	58.4	69.4	67.5	67.9	60.3	61.5	8.5	5.1	5.7	62.1	57.3	58.0	66.6	66.1	66.2	9.6	4.4	5.2	60.2	63.2	62.7
2007 Jan	68.1	72.3	71.6	8.7	2.8	3.8	62.2	70.3	68.9	66.2	60.4	61.3	8.8	4.2	4.9	60.4	57.9	58.3	67.2	66.2	66.4	8.7	3.5	4.3	61.3	63.9	63.5
Feb	67.3	72.4	71.5	8.0	2.8	3.7	62.0	70.3	68.9	66.1	60.0	61.0	7.6	3.8	4.5	61.1	57.7	58.3	66.7	66.1	66.2	7.8	3.3	4.0	61.5	63.9	63.5
Mar	67.3	72.2	71.4	7.3	3.1	3.7	62.4	70.0	68.7	66.9	60.5	61.5	7.4	3.4	4.1	62.0	58.5	59.0	67.1	66.2	66.4	7.3	3.2	3.9	62.2	64.1	63.8
Apr	67.2	72.4	71.6	7.8	3.7	4.3	62.0	69.8	68.5	64.2	60.3	60.9	7.4	4.1	4.6	59.5	57.9	58.1	65.8	66.3	66.2	7.6	3.8	4.4	60.8	63.7	63.2
May	68.1	72.1	71.4	6.9	3.1	3.7	63.4	69.8	68.8	66.4	60.5	61.4	6.8	4.3	4.7	61.9	57.8	58.5	67.3	66.1	66.3	6.8	3.7	4.2	62.7	63.7	63.5
Jun	69.8	72.3	71.9	8.2	3.7	4.5	64.1	69.6	68.7	66.2	59.9	60.9	7.8	3.7	4.4	61.1	57.7	58.2	68.1	66.0	66.3	8.0	3.7	4.4	62.6	63.5	63.4
Jul	69.8	72.0	71.7	7.1	3.7	4.3	64.9	69.3	68.6	65.6	59.4	60.4	6.5	3.5	4.0	61.3	57.3	58.0	67.8	65.6	65.9	6.8	3.6	4.1	63.2	63.2	63.2
Aug	69.4	71.7	71.3	6.5	3.1	3.6	64.9	69.5	68.7	67.2	59.6	60.8	5.9	4.1	4.4	63.2	57.2	58.1	68.3	65.5	65.9	6.2	3.5	4.0	64.1	63.2	63.3
Sep	70.4	71.8	71.6	7.1	3.1	3.7	65.4	69.6	68.9	67.5	59.5	60.8	9.1	4.2	5.0	61.4	57.1	57.7	69.0	65.5	66.1	8.1	3.6	4.3	63.4	63.2	63.2
Oct	69.5	72.5	72.0	7.9	3.6	4.3	64.0	69.9	68.9	65.6	59.5	60.5	7.0	3.9	4.4	61.1	57.2	57.8	67.6	65.9	66.2	7.5	3.8	4.4	62.6	63.4	63.3
Nov	69.4	72.6	72.1	6.8	3.3	3.9	64.7	70.2	69.3	69.5	60.0	61.4	9.6	3.4	4.5	62.8	57.9	58.7	69.4	66.1	66.7	8.1	3.4	4.2	63.8	63.9	63.9
Dec	69.4	72.8	72.2	8.0	3.5	4.3	63.9	70.2	69.1	67.5	59.5	60.7	7.8	3.3	4.1	62.2	57.5	58.2	68.5	66.0	66.4	7.9	3.4	4.2	63.0	63.7	63.6
Average:																											
Jan-Dec06	64.7	71.6	70.4	9.2	3.8	4.6	58.7	68.9	67.2	67.7	59.8	61.0	7.3	4.4	4.9	62.7	57.1	58.0	66.1	65.6	65.7	8.3	4.1	4.8	60.7	62.9	62.5
Jan-Dec07	68.8	72.3	71.7	7.5	3.3	4.0	63.7	69.9	68.8	66.6	59.9	61.0	7.6	3.8	4.5	61.5	57.6	58.2	67.7	66.0	66.3	7.6	3.5	4.2	62.6	63.6	63.5

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: BC Stats

Source: Statistics Canada

6 B[illegible]mployment by Full-Time/Part-Time Status

	Men				Women				Total			
	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total
1997	893.5	113.9	1,007.4	11.3	580.2	272.8	853.0	32.0	1,473.7	386.7	1,860.5	20.8
1998	870.1	123.9	994.0	12.5	590.2	274.2	864.4	31.7	1,460.3	398.0	1,858.4	21.4
1999	882.5	129.0	1,011.5	12.8	606.1	276.8	882.9	31.4	1,488.6	405.8	1,894.4	21.4
2000	914.1	117.2	1,031.3	11.4	619.2	280.8	900.0	31.2	1,533.3	398.0	1,931.3	20.6
2001	896.7	123.4	1,020.1	12.1	620.9	280.5	901.4	31.1	1,517.6	404.0	1,921.6	21.0
2002	891.8	145.9	1,037.7	14.1	624.6	302.8	927.3	32.7	1,516.4	448.7	1,965.0	22.8
2003	929.7	136.1	1,065.8	12.8	635.2	313.6	948.9	33.0	1,564.9	449.7	2,014.7	22.3
2004	960.1	131.0	1,091.2	12.0	670.7	300.9	971.5	31.0	1,630.8	431.9	2,062.7	20.9
2005	1,000.8	129.7	1,130.5	11.5	693.0	307.0	1,000.0	30.7	1,693.9	436.7	2,130.5	20.5
2006	1,022.3	138.6	1,160.9	11.9	727.8	306.7	1,034.5	29.6	1,750.2	445.3	2,195.5	20.3
						seasonally adjusted						
2006 Jan	1,018.5	127.8	1,146.3	11.1	718.2	304.5	1,022.7	29.8	1,736.7	432.3	2,169.0	19.9
Feb	1,003.6	150.4	1,154.0	13.0	710.0	312.3	1,022.3	30.5	1,713.6	462.7	2,176.3	21.3
Mar	1,014.3	145.8	1,160.1	12.6	713.9	313.1	1,027.0	30.5	1,728.2	458.9	2,187.1	21.0
Apr	1,019.8	139.3	1,159.0	12.0	728.3	303.8	1,032.1	29.4	1,748.0	443.1	2,191.1	20.2
May	1,021.1	135.2	1,156.3	11.7	730.0	305.7	1,035.7	29.5	1,751.1	440.9	2,192.1	20.1
Jun	1,015.7	137.7	1,153.4	11.9	730.2	307.3	1,037.5	29.6	1,745.9	445.0	2,190.9	20.3
Jul	1,022.9	135.1	1,158.0	11.7	724.8	312.8	1,037.6	30.1	1,747.7	447.9	2,195.6	20.4
Aug	1,027.3	134.3	1,161.6	11.6	736.4	298.5	1,034.9	28.8	1,763.7	432.8	2,196.5	19.7
Sep	1,030.5	133.5	1,164.0	11.5	742.1	296.6	1,038.7	28.6	1,772.6	430.1	2,202.7	19.5
Oct	1,034.0	135.5	1,169.5	11.6	732.3	313.4	1,045.7	30.0	1,766.3	449.0	2,215.2	20.3
Nov	1,026.4	145.7	1,172.1	12.4	727.3	311.0	1,038.3	30.0	1,753.7	456.7	2,210.4	20.7
Dec	1,033.9	142.6	1,176.5	12.1	739.3	302.7	1,042.0	29.0	1,773.2	445.3	2,218.5	20.1
2007 Jan	1,047.4	154.8	1,202.2	12.9	746.9	301.1	1,048.0	28.7	1,794.3	455.9	2,250.2	20.3
Feb	1,052.0	151.6	1,203.6	12.6	745.6	303.8	1,049.3	29.0	1,797.5	455.3	2,252.9	20.2
Mar	1,059.1	142.4	1,201.5	11.9	735.3	328.7	1,064.0	30.9	1,794.3	471.1	2,265.4	20.8
Apr	1,054.0	145.5	1,199.4	12.1	740.9	308.8	1,049.6	29.4	1,794.8	454.2	2,249.1	20.2
May	1,065.8	140.2	1,206.0	11.6	748.5	308.8	1,057.3	29.2	1,814.3	449.0	2,263.3	19.8
Jun	1,057.5	148.5	1,206.1	12.3	724.5	329.6	1,054.1	31.3	1,782.0	478.1	2,260.1	21.2
Jul	1,073.1	133.7	1,206.8	11.1	734.2	316.5	1,050.8	30.1	1,807.4	450.2	2,257.6	19.9
Aug	1,077.0	133.7	1,210.7	11.0	739.5	315.7	1,055.2	29.9	1,816.5	449.4	2,265.9	19.8
Sep	1,080.0	136.3	1,216.3	11.2	740.0	310.5	1,050.5	29.6	1,820.0	446.8	2,266.8	19.7
Oct	1,077.0	141.9	1,218.9	11.6	739.0	314.7	1,053.7	29.9	1,816.0	456.6	2,272.6	20.1
Nov	1,089.1	138.3	1,227.3	11.3	760.4	310.6	1,071.0	29.0	1,849.5	448.9	2,298.4	19.5
Dec	1,079.3	147.6	1,226.8	12.0	736.5	328.1	1,064.6	30.8	1,815.8	475.7	2,291.4	20.8
Average:												
Jan-Dec06	1,022.3	138.6	1,160.9	11.9	727.7	306.8	1,034.5	29.7	1,750.1	445.4	2,195.5	20.3
Jan-Dec07	1,067.6	142.9	1,210.5	11.8	740.9	314.7	1,055.7	29.8	1,808.5	457.6	2,266.1	20.2
% Change	4.4	3.1	4.3		1.8	2.6	2.0		3.3	2.7	3.2	

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Source: Statistics Canada

7a BC Employment by Industry

	All Industries		Total Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Other Primary		Utilities		Manufac-turing		Construc-tion	
	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg
1997	1,860.5		417.3		34.0		54.0		9.9		196.2		123.1	
1998	1,858.4	-0.1	408.5	-2.1	33.0	-2.9	51.3	-5.0	11.1	12.1	195.9	-0.2	117.2	-4.8
1999	1,894.4	1.9	393.8	-3.6	28.1	-14.8	48.5	-5.5	11.1	0.0	191.8	-2.1	114.3	-2.5
2000	1,931.3	1.9	406.3	3.2	29.7	5.7	52.7	8.7	10.3	-7.2	202.5	5.6	111.1	-2.8
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	382.3	-5.9	25.5	-14.1	40.7	-22.8	10.5	1.9	194.9	-3.8	110.7	-0.4
2002	1,965.0	2.3	392.2	2.6	29.0	13.7	37.6	-7.6	11	4.8	196.6	0.9	118.1	6.7
2003	2,014.7	2.5	416.4	6.2	32.9	13.4	45.5	21.0	11.3	2.7	206.8	5.2	119.8	1.4
2004	2,062.7	2.4	436.9	4.9	36.9	12.2	35.6	-21.8	9.2	-18.6	211.2	2.1	144.0	20.2
2005	2,130.5	3.3	452.7	3.6	38.7	4.9	37.5	5.3	10.3	12.0	198.2	-6.2	168.0	16.7
2006	2,195.5	3.1	463.9	2.5	34.7	-10.3	43.8	16.8	8.6	-16.5	197.5	-0.4	179.3	6.7
							seasonally adjusted							
2006 Jan	2,169.0		442.9		34.3		41.0		8.6		190.4		168.6	
Feb	2,176.3	0.3	459.6	3.8	36.0	5.0	39.3	-4.1	8.0	-7.0	202.1	6.1	174.3	3.4
Mar	2,187.1	0.5	467.3	1.7	36.2	0.6	39.8	1.3	7.2	-10.0	206.8	2.3	177.3	1.7
Apr	2,191.1	0.2	460.2	-1.5	35.7	-1.4	39.6	-0.5	6.6	-8.3	200.7	-2.9	177.7	0.2
May	2,192.1	0.0	460.3	0.0	35.4	-0.8	40.7	2.8	8.1	22.7	201.1	0.2	175.1	-1.5
Jun	2,190.9	-0.1	452.5	-1.7	32.3	-8.8	41.8	2.7	8.8	8.6	192.9	-4.1	176.7	0.9
Jul	2,195.6	0.2	464.2	2.6	34.2	5.9	41.9	0.2	9.2	4.5	195.1	1.1	183.7	4.0
Aug	2,196.5	0.0	461.0	-0.7	33.7	-1.5	45.1	7.6	9.0	-2.2	189.9	-2.7	183.2	-0.3
Sep	2,202.7	0.3	465.4	1.0	34.0	0.9	47.3	4.9	8.9	-1.1	192.1	1.2	183.0	-0.1
Oct	2,215.2	0.6	468.8	0.7	33.8	-0.6	47.0	-0.6	10.0	12.4	196.4	2.2	181.6	-0.8
Nov	2,210.4	-0.2	479.2	2.2	35.6	5.3	52.5	11.7	9.8	-2.0	198.6	1.1	182.7	0.6
Dec	2,218.5	0.4	483.3	0.9	36.0	1.1	48.2	-8.2	9.3	-5.1	203.2	2.3	186.5	2.1
2007 Jan	2,250.2	1.4	493.6	2.1	35.5	-1.4	52.5	8.9	7.9	-15.1	204.8	0.8	192.8	3.4
Feb	2,252.9	0.1	484.2	-1.9	35.7	0.6	48.3	-8.0	9.3	17.7	204.5	-0.1	186.5	-3.3
Mar	2,265.4	0.6	493.2	1.9	33.5	-6.2	45.2	-6.4	8.2	-11.8	215.3	5.3	190.9	2.4
Apr	2,249.1	-0.7	495.7	0.5	31.9	-4.8	49.1	8.6	8.7	6.1	211.9	-1.6	194.0	1.6
May	2,263.3	0.6	495.5	0.0	34.9	9.4	46.1	-6.1	8.2	-5.7	206.3	-2.6	200.0	3.1
Jun	2,260.1	-0.1	498.7	0.6	34.7	-0.6	46.0	-0.2	9.3	13.4	209.9	1.7	198.7	-0.7
Jul	2,257.6	-0.1	486.8	-2.4	35.6	2.6	45.9	-0.2	11.8	26.9	205.8	-2.0	187.7	-5.5
Aug	2,265.9	0.4	490.4	0.7	34.4	-3.4	46.9	2.2	11.4	-3.4	201.4	-2.1	196.3	4.6
Sep	2,266.8	0.0	502.7	2.5	37.9	10.2	45.0	-4.1	10.6	-7.0	209.6	4.1	199.6	1.7
Oct	2,272.6	0.3	499.6	-0.6	40.7	7.4	46.8	4.0	12.7	19.8	204.7	-2.3	194.6	-2.5
Nov	2,298.4	1.1	509.2	1.9	39.9	-2.0	46.8	0.0	12.5	-1.6	203.0	-0.8	207.0	6.4
Dec	2,291.4	-0.3	503.0	-1.2	39.6	-0.8	50.5	7.9	13.2	5.6	190.0	-6.4	209.7	1.3
Average:														
Jan-Dec06	2,195.5		463.7		34.8		43.7		8.6		197.4		179.2	
Jan-Dec07	2,266.1		496.1		36.2		47.4		10.3		205.6		196.5	
% Change	3.2		7.0		4.1		8.6		19.6		4.1		9.6	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

Produced by: BC Stats

Source: Statistics Canada

7b BC Employment by Industry

	Total Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Community and Personal Service								Public Administration	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health & Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Other Service	
	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg	Emp. ('000)	% Chg
1997	1,443.2		108.0		297.7		127.7		112.1		120.3		191.3		142.2		243.2		100.7	
1998	1,449.9	0.5	105.6	-2.2	289.7	-2.7	122.3	-4.2	122.8	9.5	118.3	-1.7	197.4	3.2	146.8	3.2	253.2	4.1	93.8	-6.9
1999	1,500.5	3.5	115.9	9.8	304.8	5.2	121.0	-1.1	135.8	10.6	127.3	7.6	193.3	-2.1	149.1	1.6	260.8	3.0	92.5	-1.4
2000	1,525.0	1.6	116.9	0.9	300.8	-1.3	118.3	-2.2	135.8	0.0	136.6	7.3	201.2	4.1	154.5	3.6	268.4	2.9	92.4	-0.1
2001	1,539.3	0.9	112.4	-3.8	303.3	0.8	120.9	2.2	139.2	2.5	138.3	1.2	196.8	-2.2	163.7	6.0	275.1	2.5	89.5	-3.1
2002	1,572.8	2.2	112.9	0.4	324.9	7.1	123.3	2.0	136.1	-2.2	139.3	0.7	211.6	7.5	162.5	-0.7	274.1	-0.4	88.1	-1.6
2003	1,598.3	1.6	119.6	5.9	327.8	0.9	124.5	1.0	139.3	2.4	140.1	0.6	213.3	0.8	159.4	-1.9	281.2	2.6	93.0	5.6
2004	1,625.8	1.7	116.5	-2.6	315.8	-3.7	129.2	3.8	146.3	5.0	135.9	-3.0	219.2	2.8	175.3	10.0	290.4	3.3	97.2	4.5
2005	1,677.8	3.2	118.7	1.9	334.6	6.0	132.9	2.9	163.6	11.8	146.1	7.5	217.4	-0.8	175.8	0.3	293.6	1.1	95.1	-2.2
2006	1,731.6	3.2	119.5	0.7	353.7	5.7	138.0	3.8	167.6	2.4	156.0	6.8	232.2	6.8	170.5	-3.0	302.8	3.1	91.3	-4.0
									seasonally adjusted									
2006 Jan	1,726.1		124.6		355.5		128.0		166.5		152.1		210.6		179.0		312.9		97.1	
Feb	1,716.6	-0.6	128.1	2.8	363.1	2.1	129.4	1.1	171.6	3.1	151.3	-0.5	213.2	1.2	173.9	-2.8	292.7	-6.5	93.3	-3.9
Mar	1,719.8	0.2	124.9	-2.5	358.8	-1.2	132.7	2.6	166.1	-3.2	153.5	1.5	224.3	5.2	162.4	-6.6	303.7	3.8	93.5	0.2
Apr	1,730.9	0.6	123.2	-1.4	364.8	1.7	129.5	-2.4	171.4	3.2	153.0	-0.3	224.1	-0.1	167.0	2.8	304.0	0.1	94.0	0.5
May	1,731.8	0.1	121.4	-1.5	362.4	-0.7	132.3	2.2	168	-2.0	152.1	-0.6	237.3	5.9	167.8	0.5	298.9	-1.7	91.5	-2.7
Jun	1,738.4	0.4	121.3	-0.1	368.0	1.5	136.4	3.1	161.3	-4.0	154.8	1.8	243.7	2.7	167.6	-0.1	298.3	-0.2	87.1	-4.8
Jul	1,731.4	-0.4	114.5	-5.6	345.0	-6.3	141.7	3.9	162.3	0.6	160.5	3.7	245.4	0.7	166.3	-0.8	301.5	1.1	94.2	8.2
Aug	1,735.5	0.2	115.2	0.6	347.3	0.7	145.1	2.4	174	7.2	156.0	-2.8	242.1	-1.3	169.5	1.9	303.8	0.8	82.7	-12.2
Sep	1,737.3	0.1	115.3	0.1	349.1	0.5	141.1	-2.8	170.3	-2.1	157.6	1.0	238.1	-1.7	171.9	1.4	307.2	1.1	86.7	4.8
Oct	1,746.4	0.5	114.0	-1.1	344.7	-1.3	143.4	1.6	170.5	0.1	160.0	1.5	238.9	0.3	176.3	2.6	308.3	0.4	90.5	4.4
Nov	1,731.2	-0.9	114.8	0.7	345.3	0.2	148.8	3.8	164.6	-3.5	159.7	-0.2	229.1	-4.1	172.9	-1.9	301.0	-2.4	94.9	4.9
Dec	1,735.3	0.2	117.2	2.1	340.4	-1.4	147.7	-0.7	164.5	-0.1	162.3	1.6	239.2	4.4	170.8	-1.2	303.1	0.7	90.0	-5.2
2007 Jan	1,756.6	1.2	121.2	3.4	352.1	3.4	137.6	-6.8	166.8	1.4	156.1	-3.8	233.9	-2.2	179.8	5.3	313.2	3.3	96.0	6.7
Feb	1,768.7	0.7	131.3	8.3	359.1	2.0	139.9	1.7	168.9	1.3	159.9	2.4	243.2	4.0	173.1	-3.7	301.9	-3.6	91.4	-4.8
Mar	1,772.2	0.2	125.6	-4.3	355.0	-1.1	149.2	6.6	161.1	-4.6	162.9	1.9	248.5	2.2	173.5	0.2	304.2	0.8	92.2	0.9
Apr	1,753.4	-1.1	124.5	-0.9	351.5	-1.0	145.2	-2.7	163	1.2	158.7	-2.6	241.6	-2.8	167.4	-3.5	306.7	0.8	94.8	2.8
May	1,767.8	0.8	125.4	0.7	363.4	3.4	149.4	2.9	172.7	6.0	159.5	0.5	234.4	-3.0	169.0	1.0	301.6	-1.7	92.4	-2.5
Jun	1,761.4	-0.4	124.3	-0.9	365.3	0.5	148.0	-0.9	171.3	-0.8	152.3	-4.5	242.0	3.2	174.1	3.0	288.6	-4.3	95.7	3.6
Jul	1,770.8	0.5	126.2	1.5	376.1	3.0	150.0	1.4	175.9	2.7	141.9	-6.8	239.1	-1.2	169.5	-2.6	294.9	2.2	97.1	1.5
Aug	1,775.5	0.3	123.6	-2.1	379.2	0.8	149.2	-0.5	168.2	-4.4	143.6	1.2	235.3	-1.6	182.9	7.9	299.6	1.6	93.9	-3.3
Sep	1,764.2	-0.6	120.8	-2.3	366.3	-3.4	143.8	-3.6	162.7	-3.3	159.3	10.9	236.5	0.5	172.8	-5.5	305.2	1.9	96.9	3.2
Oct	1,772.9	0.5	122.3	1.2	373.6	2.0	142.6	-0.8	161.8	-0.6	157.9	-0.9	243.7	3.0	171.6	-0.7	302.6	-0.9	96.6	-0.3
Nov	1,789.2	0.9	128.2	4.8	370.5	-0.8	142.7	0.1	163.2	0.9	159.6	1.1	241.9	-0.7	172.0	0.2	313.2	3.5	97.8	1.2
Dec	1,788.4	0.0	135.9	6.0	365.3	-1.4	141.9	-0.6	160.1	-1.9	159.2	-0.3	235.9	-2.5	169.0	-1.7	317.7	1.4	103.4	5.7
Average:																				
Jan-Dec06	1,731.7		119.5		353.7		138.0		167.6		156.1		232.2		170.5		303.0		91.3	
Jan-Dec07	1,770.1		125.8		364.8		145.0		166.3		155.9		239.7		172.9		304.1		95.7	
% Change	2.2		5.2		3.1		5.0		-0.8		-0.1		3.2		1.4		0.4		4.8	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

Produced by: BC Stats

Source: Statistics Canada

8 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Occupation, Actual

	Management		Business Finance & Admin.		Natural & Applied Sciences		Health		Social Sci. Education Govt Service & Religion		Art Culture Recreation & Sport		Sales & Service		Trades Transport & Equipment Operators		Occupations Unique to Primary		Occupations Unique to Processing, Mfg & Utilities		All Occupations	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %
1997	180.0	2.9	339.9	3.7	103.1	3.3	97.9	1.8	141.8	3.4	56.3	6.5	477.7	5.8	311.6	7.1	68.9	15.5	83.3	8.3	1,860.5	8.4
1998	192.8	2.6	340.5	3.2	108.3	4.4	100.0	1.5	138.6	4.1	57.6	5.4	478.9	6.5	288.8	9.3	68.8	16.1	84.1	8.5	1,858.4	8.8
1999	195.6	2.4	344.7	3.4	124.1	3.4	97.7	1.7	143.1	2.7	66.6	4.0	485.5	6.8	287.6	8.1	64.1	14.6	85.3	6.8	1,894.4	8.3
2000	200.3	1.8	336.0	3.2	124.0	2.4	104.5	0.6	151.3	3.1	61.5	4.8	501.0	5.5	286.3	7.6	70.4	13.5	95.9	6.1	1,931.3	7.1
2001	171.6	2.6	340.2	4.1	118.5	4.7	102.3	1.8	149.0	3.2	59.8	5.7	537.4	5.5	285.9	7.7	61.4	13.5	95.6	8.8	1,921.6	7.7
2002	173.7	2.8	333.5	4.2	118.0	5.1	113.7	2.0	161.7	2.9	64.8	6.5	557.6	6.0	284.9	7.9	60.9	14.9	96.3	8.9	1,965.0	8.5
2003	182.1	1.9	351.5	4.1	126.6	6.1	117.2	1.8	162.5	3.2	67.0	6.6	540.4	6.2	297.3	7.1	72.9	12.5	97.3	6.8	2,014.7	8.0
2004	192.9	2.6	353.1	3.8	120.6	5.0	119.1	1.6	155.6	3.9	73.3	5.2	556.2	5.9	319.5	5.9	69.6	10.9	102.8	7.0	2,062.7	7.2
2005	193.0	2.3	383.0	2.9	136.1	3.0	118.6	1.2	172.4	2.5	71.3	4.8	558.0	4.7	330.8	4.5	71.3	9.5	96.1	6.1	2,130.5	5.9
2006	207.9	1.8	371.0	2.5	152.3	2.3	131.8	1.4	175.0	2.8	74.8	3.6	563.2	3.8	349.6	4.0	73.7	8.4	96.1	4.0	2,195.5	4.8
2006 Jan	205.8	2.0	374.7	2.8	150.6	2.5	112.6	2.0	175.6	1.1	77.9	4.9	563.0	4.3	322.9	6.0	56.5	14.1	82.8	7.9	2,122.5	5.8
Feb	214.0	1.7	375.9	2.3	152.6	2.4	116.6	1.5	175.2	2.3	79.2	2.3	543.7	4.2	331.7	5.0	62.8	10.9	90.1	6.7	2,141.7	5.2
Mar	211.7	1.6	369.1	2.7	146.5	2.6	110.2	1.3	183.3	2.7	82.4	3.3	549.3	3.4	347.7	3.7	68.9	7.6	95.9	2.9	2,164.9	4.5
Apr	204.6	0.9	372.3	2.7	157.0	1.1	113.8	1.7	172.9	1.9	75.7	2.4	560.2	3.5	346.1	4.0	74.1	7.6	92.3	3.0	2,169.1	4.6
May	203.8	1.3	375.9	2.9	155.2	2.9	127.0	1.4	180.2	2.2	79.2	2.2	560.2	3.4	345.2	4.6	77.5	9.6	98.6	2.2	2,202.6	4.9
Jun	202.7	0.4	373.4	2.2	152.7	3.0	134.7	2.2	178.6	2.1	77.4	0.6	576.1	2.6	359.6	3.3	79.1	8.3	91.9	3.4	2,226.3	3.9
Jul	204.9	1.3	376.1	2.9	146.3	3.0	140.4	1.1	161.4	4.0	72.6	2.6	567.0	3.8	376.2	4.3	82.5	7.5	100.8	4.1	2,228.2	5.1
Aug	209.3	2.1	368.9	3.0	148.7	2.3	149.0	0.9	157.6	9.9	68.8	5.5	561.1	4.6	372.9	3.2	86.4	4.4	99.6	3.3	2,222.3	5.4
Sep	205.6	3.0	362.4	2.2	155.6	2.0	146.1	1.7	175.9	2.7	73.6	3.3	556.3	4.3	358.9	3.0	74.0	5.0	102.7	3.3	2,211.0	4.4
Oct	209.3	2.3	370.1	1.6	157.1	1.6	145.8	0.9	178.7	2.4	72.2	5.0	579.9	3.7	336.9	3.2	75.4	6.5	102.7	4.7	2,228.1	4.2
Nov	209.9	2.2	363.4	2.5	152.7	2.2	143.1	1.3	179.1	1.4	67.6	4.2	574.2	4.1	346.3	4.2	74.0	9.5	98.8	3.5	2,209.1	4.6
Dec	212.7	2.9	369.6	2.5	153.0	2.1	142.2	0.8	181.4	1.7	71.3	6.6	567.5	3.8	350.8	3.2	73.5	12.0	97.7	3.3	2,219.6	4.6
2007 Jan	213.9	1.4	366.8	2.3	156.4	3.2	132.8	1.8	182.2	2.0	72.0	3.4	561.1	4.8	362.2	2.8	72.3	11.5	93.7	5.8	2,213.4	4.8
Feb	218.5	1.4	371.9	2.4	151.9	1.8	137.4	0.5	184.8	1.6	77.2	1.9	571.2	3.6	346.8	3.5	69.4	13.4	92.1	6.5	2,221.2	4.4
Mar	209.4	0.8	388.7	1.5	142.7	2.5	133.0	0.4	197.5	0.8	66.1	0.0	586.6	3.3	356.0	3.9	65.7	10.1	100.2	5.2	2,245.8	3.9
Apr	204.4	1.9	399.1	2.2	137.0	2.4	132.6	0.0	189.3	1.5	77.9	2.1	561.6	4.5	352.9	3.9	67.5	13.2	103.7	4.0	2,225.9	4.6
May	202.5	1.1	394.3	3.0	143.0	3.1	124.8	0.6	189.7	1.7	72.7	3.5	592.4	3.3	374.4	3.5	77.4	6.3	103.4	6.3	2,274.6	4.4
Jun	199.8	0.9	391.9	2.3	137.4	1.6	132.4	0.2	189.8	1.8	70.3	1.8	614.5	3.7	374.9	3.1	81.3	4.9	102.6	7.7	2,294.9	4.1
Jul	191.1	0.5	394.5	2.4	150.8	3.0	131.6	0.5	159.0	4.3	72.6	1.6	616.2	3.9	379.5	3.7	79.6	4.3	112.7	5.6	2,287.6	4.4
Aug	213.2	1.0	387.3	2.9	144.3	2.2	127.7	0.8	160.6	7.2	69.5	5.1	619.6	3.9	379.3	3.0	81.9	2.2	107.9	3.9	2,291.3	4.5
Sep	204.5	1.1	400.3	2.5	139.6	1.7	117.4	0.9	183.9	1.8	75.5	4.3	595.5	3.6	375.7	2.5	79.9	3.7	100.2	4.6	2,272.4	4.0
Oct	208.3	1.2	393.9	2.5	139.6	1.0	119.2	0.6	185.3	1.2	82.5	3.8	597.2	3.5	378.1	2.5	83.6	4.8	96.1	4.8	2,283.9	4.0
Nov	213.1	0.5	402.4	2.0	145.5	2.1	126.1	0.6	189.4	2.4	82.1	1.6	594.9	3.7	381.3	2.7	70.9	7.7	92.2	7.0	2,297.8	3.9
Dec	209.5	0.6	410.1	1.8	150.4	2.7	123.3	0.9	193.2	1.4	80.8	1.7	590.8	2.9	369.6	4.0	70.0	8.1	89.6	6.3	2,287.3	3.8
Average:																						
Jan-Dec06	207.9	1.8	371.0	2.5	152.3	2.3	131.8	1.4	175.0	2.9	74.8	3.6	563.2	3.8	349.6	4.0	73.7	8.6	96.2	4.0	2,195.5	4.8
Jan-Dec07	207.4	1.0	391.8	2.3	144.9	2.3	128.2	0.6	183.7	2.3	74.9	2.6	591.8	3.7	369.2	3.3	75.0	7.5	99.5	5.6	2,266.3	4.2
% Change	-0.2		5.6		-4.9		-2.7		5.0		0.1		5.1		5.6		1.7		3.5		3.2	

NOTES: 1. Occupation specific Unemployment Rates include only those unemployed who worked in the past year. The "All Occupations" rate incorporates total unemployed persons which includes an "Occupation Unclassified" category.

2. Due to the relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

Produced by: BC Stats

Source: Statistics Canada

Employment and Unemployment Rate by Region and Metropolitan Area

	British Columbia		Vancouver		Victoria		Abbotsford		Development Regions: Vancouver Island/ Coast		Mainland/ Southwest		Thompson-Okanagan		Kootenay		Cariboo		North Coast & Nechako		Northeast	
	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %
1997	1,860.5	8.4	966.4	8.2	149.8	7.6	68.2	8.0	322.0	8.7	1098.9	8.2	206.1	8.3	65.3	9.3	83.3	9.8	51.8	9.0	33.1	4.6
1998	1,858.4	8.8	970.8	8.0	147.2	8.7	66.9	10.1	315.5	9.7	1103.9	8.1	207.4	8.2	70.0	12.0	82.7	14.5	47.3	9.7	31.6	NA
1999	1,894.4	8.3	996.0	7.7	155.3	6.6	66.9	7.6	330.0	7.9	1130.1	7.7	206.1	9.6	69.4	9.3	81.4	11.6	46.7	8.8	30.7	8.9
2000	1,931.3	7.1	1,032.1	5.8	155.3	6.7	68.3	7.5	327.4	7.8	1164.6	6.1	210.3	9.3	70.8	10.0	79.1	9.9	47.3	10.2	31.8	5.9
2001	1,921.6	7.7	1,039.1	6.6	150.8	6.3	71.4	6.7	307.3	9.2	1175.0	6.7	210.2	9.3	70.4	9.7	79.4	9.7	46.6	11.2	32.5	6.1
2002	1,965.0	8.5	1,072.1	7.7	155.7	7.0	75.2	7.5	317.4	8.7	1216.7	7.7	208.1	9.4	66.6	10.0	78.0	12.7	44.9	12.6	33.2	9.0
2003	2,014.7	8.0	1,103.5	7.3	158.7	6.2	74.9	7.5	319.1	8.6	1,251.4	7.3	218.8	8.8	67.4	11.5	78.2	11.1	44.8	11.3	34.9	6.4
2004	2,062.7	7.2	1,127.5	6.7	162.0	5.3	78.5	6.4	334.2	7.9	1,275.3	6.7	229.7	6.6	67.1	9.2	80.7	9.1	42.4	11.6	33.3	5.4
2005	2,130.5	5.9	1,155.7	5.7	169.3	4.5	78.3	5.5	350.0	6.3	1,307.3	5.7	244.0	5.3	69.2	6.1	80.1	7.4	45.7	8.1	34.3	4.7
2006	2,195.5	4.8	1,187.1	4.4	175.2	3.7	82.3	4.5	369.5	4.9	1,342.7	4.4	253.7	5.1	69.5	6.2	82.9	6.1	43.1	6.7	34.0	NA
	3- month moving average, actual, ending in:																					
2006 Jan	2,153.1	4.9	1,163.0	4.5	167.0	4.0	81.1	5.5	356.0	5.4	1,318.7	4.6	250.3	4.1	66.8	6.4	84.7	5.8	42.4	9.4	34.2	NA
Feb	2,144.3	5.1	1,152.3	4.8	168.0	3.8	81.2	5.0	360.9	5.3	1,307.2	4.8	249.7	5.0	65.9	7.2	84.1	5.8	41.8	9.7	34.7	NA
Mar	2,143.1	5.2	1,149.3	4.8	170.5	3.8	81.4	4.9	364.1	5.3	1,304.2	4.9	249.1	5.5	66.3	6.5	83.5	6.1	41.7	9.1	34.1	NA
Apr	2,158.6	4.8	1,163.7	4.3	173.7	3.5	80.5	4.6	366.9	4.9	1,318.2	4.3	248.6	6.0	66.7	5.7	82.9	5.9	42.1	7.7	33.2	NA
May	2,178.9	4.7	1,178.8	4.2	174.6	4.1	79.7	5.7	368.2	5.1	1,333.3	4.2	252.0	5.3	66.8	4.7	82.3	6.9	43.5	6.4	32.7	NA
Jun	2,199.3	4.5	1,191.4	4.1	176.3	3.6	80.0	5.1	370.4	4.5	1,346.0	4.1	252.4	5.0	70.1	5.7	83.0	6.6	44.8	5.1	32.7	4.4
Jul	2,219.0	4.6	1,204.3	4.4	177.7	3.6	81.3	4.8	372.6	4.4	1,358.8	4.4	255.0	5.0	71.1	6.1	83.6	6.8	45.1	4.7	32.9	NA
Aug	2,225.6	4.8	1,210.7	4.5	178.5	3.5	82.7	3.9	372.9	4.6	1,364.9	4.5	254.4	6.0	72.0	6.1	83.7	6.2	44.2	5.6	33.5	NA
Sep	2,220.5	5.0	1,208.3	4.7	176.2	4.1	83.5	4.1	371.8	4.9	1,362.4	4.7	255.8	5.7	70.2	5.1	82.7	6.3	43.4	6.5	34.1	4.2
Oct	2,220.5	4.7	1,206.9	4.3	174.5	4.4	83.7	4.0	370.2	5.2	1,362.1	4.3	258.5	4.7	70.3	5.5	82.4	5.3	42.4	7.2	34.6	5.2
Nov	2,216.1	4.4	1,199.7	4.0	175.9	3.9	84.3	3.7	371.1	4.7	1,356.9	4.1	258.0	4.1	70.3	6.6	82.2	5.5	42.7	6.2	35.0	4.9
Dec	2,218.9	4.4	1,199.5	4.0	178.0	3.4	84.5	4.1	371.8	4.9	1,358.3	4.1	257.4	4.2	71.5	7.3	82.3	5.5	42.5	6.2	35.1	NA
2007 Jan	2,214.1	4.6	1,194.3	4.3	177.2	3.1	84.5	4.3	372.3	4.8	1,354.5	4.3	252.7	5.0	73.9	7.2	82.4	5.8	42.6	6.0	35.6	NA
Feb	2,218.1	4.6	1,202.5	4.1	175.1	2.9	83.5	4.7	369.6	5.3	1,363.1	4.2	251.7	5.0	74.1	6.8	81.8	5.3	41.7	7.1	36.0	NA
Mar	2,226.8	4.4	1,211.0	3.7	174.4	3.1	82.8	4.8	367.7	5.4	1,372.6	3.8	252.9	5.0	75.9	5.9	80.9	5.2	41.1	8.3	35.8	NA
Apr	2,231.0	4.3	1,211.4	3.7	176.4	3.1	82.8	4.8	368.4	5.3	1,375.1	3.8	254.8	4.5	76.5	5.7	79.7	5.2	40.4	8.6	36.1	NA
May	2,248.8	4.3	1,212.8	4.0	180.2	3.2	84.4	4.6	373.4	4.8	1,379.8	4.1	259.5	4.1	79.2	4.2	80.2	4.5	40.3	8.4	36.4	NA
Jun	2,265.1	4.4	1,216.1	4.4	184.9	3.1	85.6	4.3	380.3	3.9	1,385.9	4.4	260.1	4.3	79.4	4.6	80.8	4.6	41.1	7.6	37.4	NA
Jul	2,285.7	4.3	1,231.2	4.3	186.5	3.4	86.8	4.1	383.1	3.9	1,404.2	4.2	259.7	4.6	77.3	4.7	82.0	4.8	41.7	7.7	37.8	NA
Aug	2,291.3	4.3	1,235.3	4.2	185.7	4.1	86.5	4.4	383.6	4.0	1,409.2	4.2	257.0	4.7	78.6	5.8	83.0	5.7	42.4	7.4	37.5	NA
Sep	2,283.7	4.3	1,227.0	4.2	184.9	4.3	85.6	4.6	384.7	4.3	1,400.7	4.2	256.6	4.1	78.5	5.6	84.4	5.4	42.6	7.0	36.3	NA
Oct	2,282.5	4.2	1,218.7	4.2	186.7	3.7	84.4	4.5	386.5	3.9	1,390.9	4.2	260.4	3.7	79.5	5.8	86.6	4.7	42.3	7.3	36.3	NA
Nov	2,284.7	3.9	1,224.7	3.9	187.9	2.8	84.0	3.7	384.5	3.4	1,396.1	3.9	261.1	3.8	76.4	5.7	88.0	4.2	41.8	8.1	36.9	NA
Dec	2,289.7	3.9	1,236.9	3.7	187.5	2.6	85.1	3.4	380.6	3.4	1,409.7	3.6	257.2	4.2	74.5	5.9	89.2	5.0	41.2	9.1	37.2	NA
Average:	year-to-date averages are based on monthy actual data																					
Jan-Dec06	2,195.5	4.8	1,187.1	4.4	175.3	3.7	82.4	4.6	369.5	4.9	1,342.7	4.5	253.7	5.1	69.5	6.1	82.9	6.1	43.1	6.7	34.0	NA
Jan-Dec07	2,266.3	4.2	1,222.7	4.0	182.9	3.3	84.8	4.2	378.4	4.3	1,392.2	4.0	256.7	4.4	77.1	5.5	83.8	5.0	41.5	7.9	36.7	NA
% Change	3.2		3.0		4.4		2.9		2.4		3.7		1.2		10.9		1.1		-3.6		7.9	

NOTE: Geographic boundaries changed on January 1, 2005.

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Source: Statistics Canada

10 BC Employment by Class of Worker

	Total Employment		Employees						Self-Employed	
			Total		Public		Private			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1997	1,860.5		1,500.4		336.2		1,164.2		360.1	
1998	1,858.4	-0.1	1,474.6	-1.7	333.7	-0.7	1,140.8	-2.0	383.8	6.6
1999	1,894.4	1.9	1,512.9	2.6	345.9	3.7	1,167.1	2.3	381.4	-0.6
2000	1,931.3	1.9	1,574.7	4.1	358.9	3.8	1,215.9	4.2	356.6	-6.5
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	1,570.1	-0.3	350.8	-2.3	1,219.3	0.3	351.4	-1.5
2002	1,965.0	2.3	1,601.7	2.0	353.6	0.8	1,248.1	2.4	363.3	3.4
2003	2,014.7	2.5	1,638.4	2.3	360.5	2.0	1,277.9	2.4	376.3	3.6
2004	2,062.7	2.4	1,671.3	2.0	366.6	1.7	1,304.7	2.1	391.4	4.0
2005	2,130.5	3.3	1,714.8	2.6	369.8	0.9	1,345.0	3.1	415.8	6.2
2006	2,195.5	3.1	1,781.8	3.9	391.2	5.8	1,390.6	3.4	413.7	-0.5
					seasonally adjusted					
2006 Jan	2,169.0		1,758.4		382.3		1,376.1		410.7	
Feb	2,176.3	0.3	1,767.4	0.5	375.3	-1.8	1,392.1	1.2	408.9	-0.4
Mar	2,187.1	0.5	1,770.6	0.2	382.7	2.0	1,388.0	-0.3	416.5	1.9
Apr	2,191.1	0.2	1,786.2	0.9	385.1	0.6	1,401.1	0.9	405.0	-2.8
May	2,192.1	0.0	1,792.8	0.4	388.7	0.9	1,404.1	0.2	399.2	-1.4
Jun	2,190.9	-0.1	1,801.2	0.5	392.1	0.9	1,409.0	0.3	389.7	-2.4
Jul	2,195.6	0.2	1,792.8	-0.5	397.2	1.3	1,395.5	-1.0	402.8	3.4
Aug	2,196.5	0.0	1,771.7	-1.2	391.2	-1.5	1,380.6	-1.1	424.7	5.4
Sep	2,202.7	0.3	1,776.3	0.3	399.4	2.1	1,376.9	-0.3	426.3	0.4
Oct	2,215.2	0.6	1,787.4	0.6	398.8	-0.2	1,388.6	0.8	427.9	0.4
Nov	2,210.4	-0.2	1,789.5	0.1	400.7	0.5	1,388.8	0.0	420.9	-1.6
Dec	2,218.5	0.4	1,786.8	-0.2	401.2	0.1	1,385.7	-0.2	431.7	2.6
2007 Jan	2,250.2	1.4	1,822.3	2.0	402.5	0.3	1,419.8	2.5	427.9	-0.9
Feb	2,252.9	0.1	1,829.1	0.4	404.7	0.5	1,424.4	0.3	423.8	-1.0
Mar	2,265.4	0.6	1,838.0	0.5	409.2	1.1	1,428.8	0.3	427.4	0.8
Apr	2,249.1	-0.7	1,825.2	-0.7	404.4	-1.2	1,420.8	-0.6	423.8	-0.8
May	2,263.3	0.6	1,831.1	0.3	401.5	-0.7	1,429.6	0.6	432.2	2.0
Jun	2,260.1	-0.1	1,828.3	-0.2	391.2	-2.6	1,437.1	0.5	431.9	-0.1
Jul	2,257.6	-0.1	1,829.0	0.0	389.6	-0.4	1,439.4	0.2	428.6	-0.8
Aug	2,265.9	0.4	1,833.3	0.2	393.4	1.0	1,440.0	0.0	432.6	0.9
Sep	2,266.8	0.0	1,846.7	0.7	402.0	2.2	1,444.7	0.3	420.1	-2.9
Oct	2,272.6	0.3	1,854.4	0.4	408.6	1.6	1,445.8	0.1	418.2	-0.5
Nov	2,298.4	1.1	1,875.4	1.1	401.7	-1.7	1,473.7	1.9	423.0	1.1
Dec	2,291.4	-0.3	1,877.3	0.1	410.7	2.2	1,466.6	-0.5	414.1	-2.1
Average:										
Jan-Dec06	2,195.5		1,781.8		391.2		1,390.5		413.7	
Jan-Dec07	2,266.1		1,840.8		401.6		1,439.2		425.3	
% Change	3.2		3.3		2.7		3.5		2.8	

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Labour Force Statistics

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Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Reference Week

Monthly estimates of employment, unemployment, and persons not in the labour force refer to the specific week covered by the survey each month, normally the week containing the 15th day.

Labour Force

The labour force is composed of those members of the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Employed

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) did any work at all, or (b) had a job but were not at work due to own illness or disability, personal or family responsibilities, bad weather, labour dispute, vacation, or other reason not specified above (excluding persons whose job attachment was to a job to start at a definite date in the future).

Unemployment

Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks (ending with the reference week), and were available for work; or (b) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had been on layoff and were available for work; or (c) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a new job to start in four weeks or less from the reference week, and were available for work.

Unemployment Rate

The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the number of unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

Participation Rate

The participation rate represents the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The participation rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the labour force for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Employment Rate

The employment rate(employment/population ratio) is the number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the employment for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Rounding

Estimates published by the Labour Force Survey are rounded to the nearest thousand but all derived values (totals, averages, rates, ratios, percent changes, etc.) are calculated from unrounded figures. Therefore, the sum of the individual rounded items may not equal the total. Unadjusted estimates rounded to hundreds are available from BC Stats on request.

Seasonal Adjustment

Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods, and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. It should be noted that the seasonally adjusted series contain irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

Source: Extracted from Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey, Definitions and Explanations